

ORGANIZE, MAYOR AND REEVE URGE

Local Press Will Be Welcomed At H.S. Board Meetings

WILL CONSIDER INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF AUDITORIUM

RE-APPOINT SUPPLY

A meeting of the high school board was held at the office of the secretary, A. M. Mills, on Friday, Dec. 29, at 4 p.m. The following were present: the chairman, W. J. Patterson, Messrs. A. N. Belugin, G. A. Binns, F. Chantler, W. J. Geer and Dr. W. D. Muckle, and Principal J. B. Bastedo. The minutes of the meeting held on Oct. 2 were read, and on motion by Mr. Belugin and seconded by Mr. Chantler, were adopted as read. Mr. Bastedo reported on the teaching staff of the school, and after considerable discussion on the advisability of retaining Mrs. Westbrook on the staff, it was moved by Mr. Chantler and seconded by Mr. Belugin that Mrs.

PASSES EXAMS

Pte. Allan McDonald has passed his examinations as regimental instructor for three-inch mortar guns.

Westbrook be retained as a supply or temporary teacher till June, 1940, at the same rate of salary as for the last four months, and that Mr. Bastedo be authorized and instructed to advertise in May, 1940, for a teacher to fill her position. The matter of opening the meetings of the board to the press was discussed. It was moved by Mr. Belugin and seconded by Mr. Geer that in the future the editors of the Newmarket papers be notified of the meetings of the board, and should the editors of these papers be unable to attend personally, that a report of the meeting be given by the secretary to each of these papers. The policy of the board in (Page 5, Col. 6)

Buy Pump, Sink Another Test-Hole, Is Authorized

MISTAKE MADE AT SRIGLEY WELL, A. D. EVANS REPORTS

Authority to purchase a new three-stage booster pump for the Srigley St. well at a cost in the neighborhood of \$400, and to sink another test-hole in search for water, was given to the water and light committee by the town council on Tuesday evening. Councillor Arthur Evans reported that for some reason a one-stage booster pump had been purchased for the Srigley St. well, in spite of the fact that such a pump was lying idle down at the waterworks. The pump had not proved heavy enough for the job and repairs had already cost the town considerable money, he said. Mr. Evans reported that a 300-foot test-hole near the waterworks into shale had not brought forth water. He suggested sinking another test-hole in Widdifield Park. "It is too bad that you didn't get water," said Mayor Dr. S. J. Boyd. "To conserve water you could get the meters working. Get a new pump if you need one." "One-third of the meters are out of order, as a conservative estimate," said Mr. Evans. "What are users entitled to for the service charge?" "They are entitled to have their meters serviced," said Dr.

LIONS CHRISTMAS STOCKING FUND	
Amount previously acknowledged	\$491.00
C. C. R.	5.00
Loblaws	5.00
Two Friends	2.00
A. H. Graham	1.00
Mrs. L. P. Cane	2.00
Belfry Cane	1.00
Total	\$507.00

Boyd. "That's a point," said Mr. Evans. "It would seem logical that the town should own the meters if it services them," said Councillor D. O. Mungovan. "What are you going to do about the International Water Supply Co.?" asked Councillor Frank Bowser. "They won't give us a contract like they did before," said Mr. Vale. "They want to be paid for any test-holes they sink. We think the town would be foolish to have any other company. They have a wealth of experience in Newmarket and throughout Canada. They are extremely conscientious. They suggest a test-hole in Widdifield Park to try to strike the same strata as we already have." Mayor Boyd suggested a test-hole on the other side of Fairy Lake. He didn't like the idea of tapping the same flow of water.

Dismissal Of Electric Light Employee Is Reconsidered

ACTED WITH GOOD REAS. ON, STATE MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE

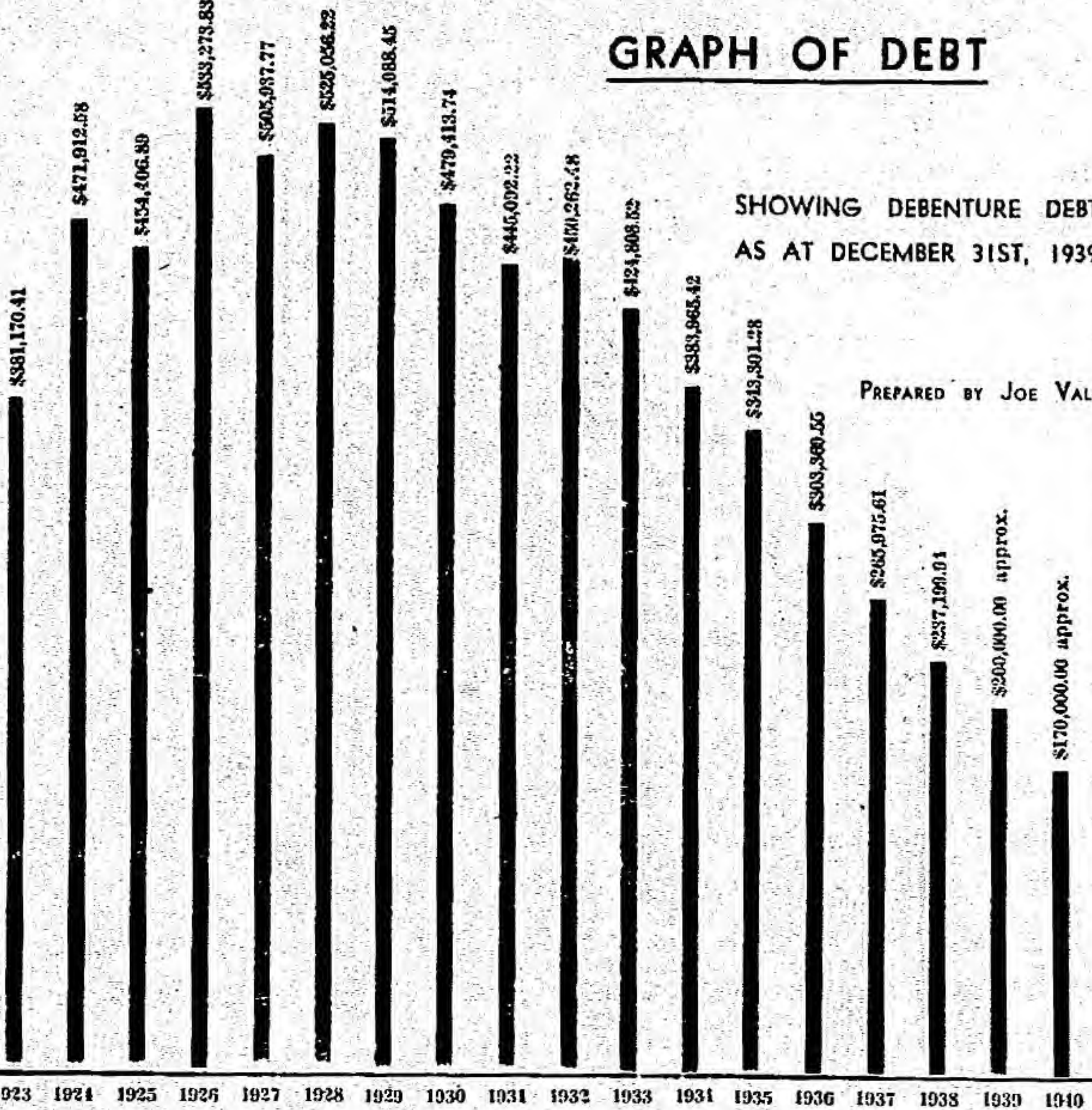
Cephus Andrews, an employee of the water and light department, who was dismissed about two weeks ago, applied for reinstatement by letter read at the town council meeting on Tuesday evening. He was dismissed by C. C. Rachar, water and light department supervisor, and the dismissal was confirmed by the water and light committee, Councillor A. D. Evans, chairman, told the town council. Mayor Dr. S. J. Boyd turned the request for reinstatement over to the committee. "He had to be chastised," said Dr. Boyd. "He has asked for reconsideration. It is up to the committee." Dr. Boyd said that if the committee did not see fit to re-employ Mr. Andrews it would be necessary for the committee to bring a report back to the council. "Andrews has been employed by the town for 12 or 13 years," said Councillor Frank Bowser, in introducing the matter. "I understand he was discharged over a very trivial thing, for putting cement blocks on the truck instead of gravel to weight the

OPERATES MILL. Cecil Lepard is operating a chopping-mill at Burford, Ont.

truck down." "The incident was a culmination of a number of incidents," said Dr. Boyd. "It was a case of insubordination. He has had time to think it over, and has humbled himself to ask for reinstatement. The committee should have a chance to think it over." "He didn't co-operate to our satisfaction," said Deputy-Reeve Joseph Vale. "We gave Mr. Rachar power to fire three months ago." "Who was he working for at the time?" asked Mr. Bowser. "He was working for the electric superintendent," said Councillor Joe Spilllette. "The two committees were working together moving the fire-reel house," said Mr. Evans. "When will the committee report back?" asked Reeve F. A. Lundy. "If they re-hire, no report will be necessary," said Dr. Boyd. "If the committee doesn't see fit to do so, then they should bring in a report." "One man shouldn't have the power to take away another's job," said Mr. Evans. (Page 8, Col. 5)

TOWN OF NEWMARKET, ONTARIO

GRAPH OF DEBT



EX-REEVE IS APPOINTED TO H. S. BOARD

COUNTY REPRESENTATION ON BOARD MAY BE RESTORED

VALE NOMINATES

When an appointment to the high school board was to be made by the town council at its inaugural meeting on Tuesday evening, Deputy-Reeve Joseph Vale proposed the name of Dr. L. W. Dales, former reeve, as a citizen having children in high school. Asked by a member of council, Mr. Vale said that the term of G. A. Binns was expiring. Reeve F. A. Lundy then nominated Mr. Binns. "I thought of him for a county representative," said Mr. Vale. Mr. Lundy then assented to the appointment of Dr. Dales. Mr. Vale said that he understood that the high school board had asked the county to increase its representation on the board. "That is, if the rest of the county does likewise," said Reeve F. A. Lundy. Mr. Vale said that the name of G. L. Manning, managing director of the Office Specialty Co., had been mentioned as a county representative. The following appointments were made. High school board, Dr. L. W. Dales; poundkeeper, G. W. Curtis; fence-viewers, St. Andrew's ward, Silas Armitage; St. George's ward, F. O. R. Simpson; St. Patrick's, Walter Bogart. Fire brigade, 1st, 2nd and 3rd engineers, W. W. Osborne, Joseph Brammar, Jas. Thompson, respectively. Fire wardens, members of the town council. Board of health, W. J. Patterson, succeeding J. R. Y. Broughton; York county hospital board, A. D. Evans; public library board (3 years), B. W. Hunter.

Y. P. U. SCHOOL WILL BE HELD IN BRAMPTON

The Y. P. U. winter school is being held in Brampton United church, starting Monday, Jan. 15 to Jan. 19, for the five southern presbyteries of Toronto conference. Rev. T. W. F. G. Andrews of Brampton, formerly of Newmarket, is the dean of the school. Miss Vera Hunter, president of the presbytery, is director of the school. "The music and recreation director of the school is Rev. Terry Hart, of Canilla. Dr. E. J. Thompson, of Aurora, is also among the staff, leading the group in Bible study. Advertising is enterprising salesmanship. Over 5,000 people read The Era every week.

New Council Turns Down Anti-Duration Term Motion

MUNGOVAN, BOWSER AND VALE OUTVOTED ON COUNCIL TERM

Introduced by Councillors D. O. Mungovan and Frank Bowser, a resolution expressing disapproval of "indefinite terms" for municipal councils was defeated by the newly-elected Newmarket town council on Tuesday evening. Mayor Dr. S. J. Boyd and Councillor Arthur Evans said that it was no use passing such a resolution. "Let them handle it," said Dr. Boyd. "It is no harm to pass it," said Deputy-Reeve Joseph Vale. On a vote Councillors Mungovan and Bowser and Deputy-Reeve Vale voted for and Reeve F. A. Lundy, and Councillors J. L. Spilllette, A. V. Higginson and Wm. Dixon voted against. Councillor Evans didn't vote and Mayor Boyd didn't have to vote. "We are not going to pass it," said Mayor Dr. S. J. Boyd. "We are not going to pass it," said Mayor Dr. S. J. Boyd. "We are not going to pass it," said Mayor Dr. S. J. Boyd.

COUNCIL EFFICIENT, BANKER DECLARES

In a letter read at the inaugural meeting of the town council on Tuesday evening to the mayor and council, H. E. Lambert, manager of the Bank of Toronto, where the town accounts are kept, said: "My thoughts turn to the splendid efforts of the local municipal council, so ably headed by yourself. The demands on each one of you in giving of your time and ability in directing the affairs of the town is no small matter and the manner in which your duties have been performed, prompts me as your banker to extend my personal appreciation. You have not only managed the affairs of the town in an efficient manner but have managed the finances in a most efficient manner, each department giving the other that co-operation which is so necessary for the successful operation of any line of business. I full well realize that citizens sufficiently interested in the welfare of their community to serve as members of the council do so with considerable sacrifice and little thanks and I therefore take this opportunity of extending to you all my appreciation of your splendid contribution to the town of Newmarket."

TO BE INSTRUCTOR?

Willford Duffy, Huron St. stock-breeder, who served with the imperial army during the great war as an aviation instructor, is reported to be about to give similar service. The Era was unable to contact Mr. Duffy today for confirmation.

WOULD ASSESS ORDER OFFICES ON TURN-OVER

MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION COULD CO-OPERATE WITH COUNCIL

SAYS GOD NEEDED

"I take the opportunity to thank the two clergymen, Dr. Muckle and Rev. Mr. Greer, for attending the first meeting of Newmarket council for 1940 and giving us the blessing of the church," Dr. S. J. Boyd said in his inaugural address as mayor at a town council meeting Tuesday evening. "If there ever was a time in the history of the world when men in public office needed the help of divine power it is this present time. "The government of the great Russian nation of 350 million people is atheistic and has no god. Consequently deception, cruelty, lying and breaking of solemn contracts is what we can expect from them. "Also the Nazi government of the great German nation of 80 million people recognizes only the pagan gods of ancient heathenism. Consequently honesty, truthfulness and kindness is beyond their conception as a nation. The Germans put their outspoken religious preachers in the internment camps. German children are taught to tell lies by their parents so as to shield their families from the spying of the Nazi police. "Now if we are to be better than these people whom we call our enemies, we must respect the guidance and intercession of our religious leaders. "I am pleased to welcome the same men who composed the council of 1939 back to office for the year 1940. "Several important undertakings were started and partly completed last year. I refer particularly to the reconstruction of our electric light system. By carrying on this work with our own town labor during the next two or three years, we will have brought our electric light system up to Hydro standards with a saving to the town which I estimate to be at least \$60,000. "Now in order to accomplish this end we must all pull together. We must have harmony and faithful service rendered by our civic employees. We must also have patience and tolerance amongst our citizens, as inconveniences are bound to arise while workmen are changing over and replacing the electric light system. "I have given much thought to the taxation system of the town. One thing I believe to be tremendously unfair. Namely, two large merchandising firms in Toronto, Eaton's and Simpson's, can while occupying two small order offices do more business and take more cash from the town and surrounding country than all the merchants on Main Street added together. Notwithstanding this fact the law as it is today only permits us to tax them proportionately on the two small offices which they occupy. If they were also taxed on their volume of business they would be paying at least more than four mills on the tax rate. "These old laws that were fair enough 50 years ago should be revised and brought up to date. "To handle matters of this kind together with many other problems it would be a great advantage for the town to have a merchants' association from which resolutions and suggestions could come from time to time to assist the council. "Again I will ask the citizens: If you have a complaint or believe yourself to be wrongly treated in some way, come to me or to the proper member of council to deal with the matter. We will do the very best we can to give you justice and fair treatment. "I wish the members of this council and all the citizens of Newmarket a very happy and prosperous new year."

BICYCLE FOUND

A man's bicycle found on Botsford St. on Dec. 24 can be recovered by the owner at the police station upon identification to the satisfaction of Chief Constable James Sloss.

Merchants' Support Asked In Move To Tax Order Offices

LUNDY CITES RESOLUTION PASSED BY COUNTY COUNCIL

SEEK LEGISLATION

Reeve F. A. Lundy joined with Mayor Dr. S. J. Boyd in suggesting an organized effort to have order offices of Toronto department stores taxed in accordance with the volume of business they do, at the inaugural meeting of the 1940 town council on Tuesday evening. "Along the line of the mayor's suggestion of a merchants' association, it is necessary to form local associations and then to go farther and organize more widely," said Mr. Lundy. Mr. Lundy then read to the council a resolution which he said that he and Deputy-Reeve Joseph Vale had had York county council pass last June, as follows: "Whereas many large commercial concerns, selling such commodities as bread, milk, coal, and departmental stores, having their place of business in large urban centres, are selling, peddling and delivering their products in the small towns and villages throughout the various counties; and "Whereas the small merchants in the towns and villages find it difficult to compete and in many cases are being forced out of business to the detriment of the local community; "Be it therefore resolved that the legislative committee be requested to interview the government to discuss ways and means, in order to provide legislation that will rectify this evil and thereby assist in encouraging local merchants in the smaller centres of the province." "These firms never come into a municipality until it becomes a desirable place to live and do business," Mr. Lundy said. "Then they establish order offices and send all their cash to the city. "I am desirous of getting our municipalities taxing them in proportion to their business. Taxation should be on turn-over as the mayor suggests. So I hope that the merchants will act on the suggestion, so that we may have the weight of organization in getting legislative action. There are also cleaners coming in here and taking business from our local cleaners." "One of the leaders in a nearby township has told me that we wouldn't be alone in such a fight," said Mayor Boyd. "I don't like passing the buck to the local merchants," said Councillor D. O. Mungovan. "I think that this council should go on record and should contact the legislative committee of the legislature." "The council would be more influential," agreed N. L. Mathews, K. C., clerk and solicitor. "My idea is that a merchants' association should prompt us and provide us with ideas on matters of interest to them," said Dr. Boyd. "We should be backed up by the merchants." Dr. Boyd commended the reeve and deputy-reve for their resolution in county council. It was up to the town council to do what it could to help, he said.

EXPRESSES THANKS

"On behalf of the officers and members of the Lions Club, I wish to thank all those firms, organizations and individuals for their kind support in helping to make the distribution of Christmas baskets a success," Jack Luck, Lions president, told The Era this week. "Ninety-one families and 241 kiddies were provided for, which is a record for the club," he said. "We did not quite reach our financial objective, being about \$40 short, and there is still time for those who wish that they had made a contribution. "I thank you again and extend the best wishes of the club to you all."

IS IN HOSPITAL

Ben Heaslip, Yonge St. farmer, has been in York county hospital since Christmas.

SUFFERS STROKE

E. H. Brooks, Millard Ave., suffered a stroke on New Year's day.

SISTER DIES

B. W. Hunter received word this week of the death of his sister, Mrs. R. J. Long, of Penitence, B. C. Sympathy is extended to Mr. Hunter in his bereavement.

ATTENDS RECEPTION

Lieut. D. O. Mungovan of the Queen's York Rangers attended Lieutenant-Governor Albert Matthews' reception at Queen's Park on New Year's day.

NAMED M.O.H. AGAIN

By resolution Newmarket town council on Tuesday evening requested the provincial department of health that the appointment of Dr. J. H. Wesley as M. O. H. be confirmed for 1940.

ACCIDENT CUTS OFF POWER ON HOLIDAY

Electric power was off on Eagle and Andrew Sts. for a little over an hour on Monday afternoon as a result of a car accident on Eagle St. While going east into town, the car of Ralph Coupland skidded and went over the curb, hitting a power pole and cutting off the service at 4.40 p.m. Constable Kenneth Munt investigated the accident. No blame was attached to the driver. The power was on again by 5.45 p.m. but was off again at 7 p.m. for ten minutes.

FAMILY IS REUNITED FOR FIRST TIME IN 13 YEARS

A family reunion was held at the home of J. Duffield, Raglan Ave., during the holiday week-end, when Mr. Duffield's two sons, Cecil of Vancouver, Arthur of Fort Erie, with Mrs. Duffield and son, Gerald, and daughter, Mrs. Fred Williams and two daughters, Beverly and Bernice of Toronto, came home. This is the first time the family have all been at home together for 13 years. Also among the guests were Miss Florence Dury of Toronto and Miss Winnifred Fasham of Aurora.

FRANK BOWSER NAMED ROAD COMMITTEE HEAD

Committees of the town council were named at the inaugural meeting on Tuesday evening. By ballot a striking committee consisting of Deputy-Reeve Joseph Vale, Reeve F. A. Lundy and Councillor Arthur Evans was named. The striking committee retired and then brought in a slate of committees which was adopted by the council. There were few changes in the committees. Councillor Frank Bowser was promoted to the chairmanship of the road and bridge committee. The mayor is a member of all committees. The first-named in each committee is the chairman. Finance: Lundy, Vale, Water and Light: Evans, Vale, Spilllette. Road and bridge: Bowser, Dixon, Mungovan, Relief: Higginson, Spilllette. Property: Higginson, Mungovan, Lundy. Police: Dixon, Mungovan. Industrial: Vale, Lundy, Higginson. ST. PAUL'S LADIES' AID WILL MEET ON JAN. 8 The ladies' aid of St. Paul's church will hold its annual meeting on Monday, Jan. 8, at 3 p.m., in the parish hall. The Era is the best means of getting in touch with the most progressive people of this district.

Coming Events

Thursday and Friday, Jan. 18 and 19—The Newmarket High School Glee club will present the comic opera, "Boys of the Danube," by Geoffrey Morgan and Arthur Penn) at 8.15 p.m. Reserved seat plan on sale at Patterson's drug store. Reserved seats 35 cents. Friday, Feb. 16—Dance under the auspices of the Women's Hospital Aid will be held in the high school auditorium. clw48

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A COMPARISON

Some comments of interest to Newmarket taxpayers appear in the Carleton Place Canadian. The Canadian tells that the town's budget for the year was \$112,000, and that three days before the year-end the total collections of taxes and arrears of taxes amounted to only \$109,000. That leaves a deficit of \$3,000. While the newspaper doesn't state so specifically, presumably the town lived up to its intention of spending the \$112,000. However, the newspaper is quite cheerful about the whole thing, for it states that a tax sale netted the town \$6,400 and total receipts thus are \$115,561, giving the town "a fairly comfortable surplus."

A Long View

While the newspaper is not the town treasurer or the town council, it may be supposed that the newspaper has good reason to think that the town officials will use the receipts from the tax sale in that way. The town of Newmarket had a tax sale this year, netting, we believe, over \$10,000, and if that money had been used as the Carleton Place tax sale proceeds will be used, the result would be a surplus of \$10,000 for 1939 and a four-mill reduction in the tax rate next year. Wouldn't that be nice? Instead, the money from the Newmarket tax sale is being used by the treasurer to improve the town's position. We gather that it will be accounted for by writing off arrears of collectible but uncollected taxes. In actual result, it will mean that the town will be in a stronger financial position and will at some times of the year have a bigger bank balance and at other times of the year have a smaller overdraft than customarily. The only immediate effect on the tax rate will be that less money will be budgeted for bank interest. As Mayor Boyd remarked some time ago, real estate in this town is going to be worth something in a few years. Ultimately, of course, the result will be a lower tax rate.

AN EMBARRASSING QUESTION

No doubt there will be a large audience present to hear Col. George Drew at the approaching Pickering forum. While Col. Drew's subject is "The Riddle of Russia," it is hardly possible that he can discuss the subject without reference to Japan and China. We have a question in mind that we would like to see someone put to the speaker. Some time ago Col. Drew urged that all Japanese in Canada be sent back to Japan. We would like to know what he would do with members of the Bear Creek Japanese Association, in British Columbia, who have sent \$43 to the dominion government as a contribution towards national defence. Their secretary wrote: "It is our great desire as loyal subjects of the crown to render what service we can."

MR. CROSS HAS A NEW ARGUMENT

In arguing the merit of his two-year and possible "duration" term for municipal councils, Hon. Eric Cross, minister of municipal affairs, says: "A factor which many individuals seem to overlook is that between now and the holding of the next municipal elections thousands of Canadians who today hold the municipal franchise will be either on foreign soil or else removed from their home municipalities. It is to protect these men, as much as anything, that the government proposes to suspend municipal elections for a year. With a large portion of our voting population engaged in war efforts, the door would be left wide open for the entry of a subversive element into our municipal life. While our soldiers are engaged in a war against the isms overseas, we must not permit the enemy to establish itself at home."

"As Much As Anything"

That reveals the proposal at its true value. Earlier the reason was war economy. An almost united Ontario press showed that the economies were infinitesimal compared to the encouragement which would be given to extravagance. Mr. Cross then thought up a new argument and advanced it as a principal reason. The suspension of municipal elections is to protect the soldiers absent from their municipalities "as much as anything." Indications are that there will be comparatively few qualified voters, and an even smaller proportion of property-owners, absent from their municipalities next year-end. Far from "the door being left wide open for the entry of a subversive element into our municipal life," the war, with its increased premium on men for military service and war industry, has turned many potential radicals into citizens who feel that they are needed and that there is a place for them in the scheme of things.

Opposite Is True

Take Newmarket as an example. It is a town of about 3,700 population. We suppose that there would be from 1,500 to 2,000 qualified voters, about half of whom vote at any election. About 15 or 20 young men and three or four great war veterans have enlisted. Some of the young men were too young to vote and some of them were not interested in municipal questions. A few people may have left town to become employed in war industry elsewhere but town factories have been busier as a result of the war and there are now more employed, stable citizens in the town than there were before the war started.

Turning His Own Guns On Him

No, Mr. Cross's argument does not bear examination. We might just as well say it is he who is establishing the "isms" at home "while our soldiers are engaged in a war against the isms overseas."

UNANIMOUSLY OPPOSED

West Gwillimbury township (Simcoe county) ratepayers passed a unanimous resolution, at a large nomination meeting two weeks ago, in opposition to any extension of the one-year term of municipal councils. This was in spite of the fact that they elected a township council this year by acclamation. There was only one change in the council. It goes to show that annual municipal elections do not mean lack of continuity in administration, and also that the mere fact that the public could change its council at the end of the year is sufficient to assure satisfactory municipal government. Once a year is not too often for the public to ask for an accounting.

A Lot of Money

At the same meeting Reeve E. J. Evans said that "if \$45,000 taxes were levied every year in the township of West Gwillimbury, it would take 444 years to pay for one \$20,000,000 ship like the German vessel, the Bremen." Another interesting point made by the same speaker was that poor people might now pay, if able and anxious, their own hospital costs at the same low rate as charged to municipalities for indigents.

A CHRISTMAS GREETING

The ideal Christmas gift, we often think, is one which takes with it a little of the personality of the sender. Some people make a practice of writing letters for Christmas, as a special kind of Christmas greeting, or making a phone call instead of sending a Christmas card or gift. Hugh Templin, widely known as the editor of the Fergus News-Record, sent out this year what we consider an ideal Christmas greeting. It was a little booklet carrying a story entitled "Christmas in Glenlivet." The story was written by Hugh Templin some years ago under the pseudonym, "Ephraim Acres," and so it carried with it the personality of the sender. It had another qualification as a Christmas gift, in that it was a story of Fergus, for "Glenlivet," we are told in the foreword, is just another name for "the Fergus of a generation or so ago, when life was less hurried and the village was much smaller in population, if not in area."

Blinds "Drawn Tight"

Most amusing in this Christmas story is the account of how the one village store which carried toys affected school prompness. Ephraim Acres says: "It was about the fifth of December that I looked out of the window one day and seen that the blinds of Webster's store was all drawn tight, and then I knew that the Christmas spirit had reached Glenlivet. . . . Webster's blind stayed drawn for two days, and after it went up there wasn't a kid in town could walk past it without gaping in for five or ten minutes. The school teachers begun to complain about the number of children that was late for school and the mothers that had any messages past that way decided to go on them themselves."

One Editor To Another

Mr. Templin tells in the foreword that he wrote this story and a number of other stories of Glenlivet ten years ago for the Toronto Star Weekly at the request of the then editor, Mr. J. H. Cranston, now editor of the Midland Free Press.

"LEST WE FORGET"

"Twenty-five years ago in the autumn of 1914, the moisture condition of western Canada was similar to that of today."

"Because of the lack of moisture in the spring of 1915, not more than about 50 per cent of the seed sown then germinated. That which did germinate was seriously damaged by heavy winds, dust storms and grubs."

"About June first, however, good rains fell, and this additional moisture started the growth of those seeds which up to that time had not germinated. When this second growth was well above the ground, it produced the effect of two crops of wheat having been sown in the same field at different times, both of which it was thought, in all probability, could not possibly mature at the same time."

"Although there were frosts every month during that summer, good rains fell also, and all grains made an extraordinary growth."

"As seeding had been late, there seemed slight hope of crops maturing before a killing frost would come. During late August and early September a severe heat wave occurred, which was generally thought would completely destroy the crop, but to the astonishment of those interested in agriculture, the heat ripened the grain, bringing it to full maturity before a killing frost appeared."

"The records of this crop of 1915 show it to have been the largest yield per acre ever grown in Canada."

"Upon examining the above extraordinary record, we find that it contains a most valuable and useful lesson for us all, namely: that our fears for the future and our worries, even though combined with temporary adverse manifestations of nature, had no power either to curtail or to destroy that particular crop."

"Human fears and obstacles aptly abound annually with each crop but these things never yet have suppressed the miracle of the regeneration of the seed in the soil, nor have they diverted the predestined purpose of the seed which is to multiply and to produce."

"When seeding time comes this spring, let us put the seed in the ground once again, confident that nature alone (all present signs to the contrary) is capable of making extraordinary and unexpected conquests over all adverse conditions, just as she has so often done since the dawn of civilization—since the planting of the first crop."

"Let us forget our present fears while looking forward with hope and faith to seasonal rains next summer."

"Men and women of western Canada, we need to arouse and to rally confidence in the producing capacity of this great Canadian agricultural land. Let us remember that through our useful, peaceful efforts, we have a huge task to perform, namely: to feed a large part of a hungry disorganized world. To aid us in this effort, we have a powerful ally in mother nature, who since time began has never failed to fulfill her primal purpose, which is to replenish the earth."

—A. L. Searle in Searle Grain Co. (Winnipeg) report.



By proclamation 2,000,000 men in Great Britain between the ages of 19 and 28 were made liable for military service on New Year's day. It is expected that they will all have been called up for service by the end of 1940.

In spite of the support of Toronto's three daily newspapers, Mayor Ralph C. Day was returned to office on Monday as mayor by a narrow margin over his unsupported-by-the-press opponent, Lewis Duncan. The vote was: Day, 61,480; Duncan, 58,011.

Toronto on Monday turned down the Hepburn-Cross proposal for suspension of municipal elections until the end of the war by a four to one vote and for two-year terms by more than a two to one vote. Of course, Mr. Cross has said that such municipal plebiscites will have no effect on the government's decision.

Toronto ratepayers voted on Monday in favor of a new sewage disposal plant and turned down a proposal for two new streets to relieve traffic congestion.

There were 57 traffic accidents in Toronto over the weekend, with 22 persons injured. City police made nine arrests for traffic infringements and took cars away from seven drinking drivers.

A second Canadian contingent arrived in England about Saturday. It is reported that the two contingents complete a division of about 16,000 men.

While Finnish cities have been heavily bombed, Russian troops are reported to have suffered severe reverses in the field.

Dr. A. R. Dafeo is to resign as a guardian of the quints but will continue as their physician, as a settlement of a quarrel between the parents of the children and the famous country doctor.

50 YEARS AGO

From Era file, Jan. 3, 1890

Mr. Jas. P. Hunter and family spent Sunday in Barrie.

Mr. Edward Barry of Orillia spent Christmas with his parents. Miss Gertrude Ough of Aurora was visiting her sister, Mrs. J. G. Muir, on Sunday.

Miss Bertie Green and Miss Elliott of Woodbridge are spending the holidays at Mr. J. S. Green's.

Mr. Herb. Bogart of Toronto spent a couple of days visiting the Misses Bogart, Prospect Ave., this week.

Mr. Will Bogart of Youngstown, N. Y., is home for a couple of weeks holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Pearson and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mader were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Danford Roche, Barrie, this week.

Miss Sarah Rogers, eldest daughter of Mr. Samuel Rogers, formerly of Yonge St., became the bride of Dr. William Janson, of Ottawa, last Thursday.

Mr. Geo. Fierheller leaves for Brownhill on Monday to take charge of the school there.

BORN—In Bradford, Dec. 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Jos. A. Cody, a son.

MARRIED—On New Year's Day, by Rev. L. W. Hill, at the residence of Mr. H. B. Brooks, Mount Albert, Mr. Wm. McClure to Miss Cecelia Ellen, all of King.

MARRIED—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. William Mainprize, on Dec. 25, by Rev. W. Percy, Mr. Colin James Davidson of the township of Scott to Miss Harriet Mainprize of the township of East Gwillimbury.

25 YEARS AGO

From Era file, Jan. 1, 1915

Mr. J. G. Muir and family spent Christmas in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken. Robertson had a family gathering on Christmas Day.

Mr. Leslie Allen of Toronto was the guest of Mr. Russell Collins over Sunday.

Miss Fox of Toronto spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Collins.

Messrs. George and Will Epworth spent Christmas at their home near Brampton.

Mr. Howard Cane and family spent the Christmas holidays at Gravenhurst.

A family gathering took place at the home of Hon. E. J. Davis on Christmas Day.

Mr. Jos. Meads and daughters of Toronto spent Sunday with Mr. Meads' father, Mr. Robt. Meads.

Mrs. McCormick and baby of Toronto spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Widdifield.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Wesley of Toronto and Mrs. Thompson of Orillia were at the family gathering at the residence of Mr. Jos. Wesley, Victoria Ave., Christmas Day.

Cane's Factory has issued one of the handsomest calendars we have seen this season.

Some of the boys and girls home for Christmas were: Carl



YOUNG CHIPS IS FROWNED UPON

BY RUTH DINGMAN HEBB

"Happy New Year everybody!" sang Young Chips, the Chickadee, from his perch in a hemlock tree. "Chicka-dee-dee-dee."

"The same to you," carolled a Purple Finch from the next tree. "There don't seem to be many of us around this morning. I haven't seen another soul but you yet."

"Oh, it's early yet," said Young Chips. "However, I've seen a Nuthatch and two or three Blue Jays. It's a pretty nippy morning, though."

"Why, there goes an English Pheasant!" exclaimed the Finch. "He's flying up over the trees. Now he's soaring down to the ground again. My, just look at the way his beautiful feathers shine in the sunshine."

"There seem to be quite a number of Pheasants around this winter," said Young Chips. "They're nice people, too."

"Well, I agree that they're company on a day like this, when very few birds are about," said the Finch. "I'm seldom lonely, but on some winter days the woods and fields seem pretty well deserted, don't they?"

"Yes, they do rather," agreed the Chickadee, "but there are nearly always a few cheerful Chickadees around to lighten things up a bit. And they aren't afraid to make their voices heard in the winter."

"You pride yourself on that, don't you?" said the Finch, with a grin. "Always cheerful—always a bright word for everybody—never down in the dumps—that's you."

"Don't you like it?" asked Young Chips in amazement.

"To tell you the truth," confided the Finch, "on some of these bitter winter mornings, when the mercury has gone out of sight and the food supply is a thing of uncertainty, I can't help feeling enraged when I hear that never-failing Chicka-dee-dee-dee, from some thoughtless Chickadee. I am tempted to regard such a perpetual cheerfulness as out of place and even in bad taste."

"My dear Mr. Finch," replied Young Chips, the feathers on his little round body puffed out in ruffled indignation, "you don't mean to tell me that you think it's wrong to be good-natured and of a happy, jovial disposition? I'm simply flabbergasted by the very idea."

"We'll," said the Finch slowly. "Possibly it's not wrong. Perhaps I was a bit too dogmatic. I don't know that it is really basically undesirable, but frankly it's deuced annoying to some of the others. I know I'm not the only one that thinks so, either. Some of the birds are more temperamental than others, you know."

"Tsk, tsks," scolded Young Chips. "What is the world coming to when the people that are unfailingly bright and breezy are frowned upon. My, my, my, my!"

OFFICERS' CONGRESS

WILL BE HELD JAN. 10

The annual officers' congress for Centre North Presbytery will be held in Wesley United church, Vanderhof, on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 8 o'clock.

The congress is for all union executives to come together to discuss and plan new programs and projects for the coming year and to meet the presbytery officer of the department you are interested in.

The discussion groups are: president's, secretary's, treasurer's, boys' work, girls' work and music. Convenors, led by Vera Hunter, Lasky; Christian fellowship, Mabel Sanderson, Victoria Square; Christian missions, Ruth De La Haye, Aurora; Christian citizenship, Hilda Patton, King; Christian culture, Boyd Mount, Victoria Square; Christian recreation, Marvin Hunter, Lasky; publication, Merland Deavitt, Glenville; leadership training convenors and vice-presidents, Nora McIntosh, Newmarket.

A very worthwhile program for the evening of worship, discussion groups, recreation and lunch, has been planned.

Brodie, London; Douglas Scott, Carl Stouffer, Brock Curry, Carl Lloyd, Misses Lida Pearson, Bertha Robinson, Janet Galbraith, Myrtle Johns, Toronto; Miss Mabel Davis, Calgary; Miss Jean Roland, Toronto, and Miss May Milligan, Berlin.

BORN—On Dec. 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Glover, Ravenshoe, a son.

BORN—In Whitechurch, Dec. 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sheridan, a son.

MARRIED—At the Methodist parsonage, Wellington, on Thursday, Dec. 24, Marion Roberta (Minnie), eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Morrison, of Newmarket, to H. M. Stanley, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Leskey, Wellington.

DIED—At Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 19, at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. T. Gartley, Sarah Belfry, daughter of the late C. C. Belfry, Newmarket.

The Common Round

CHRISTMAS EVE AND THE RADIO

By Isabel Inglis Colville

There are a few people still who do not care for the radio, for them the things they hear and do NOT like far outnumber those which please them. With these pessimistic souls I have little sympathy for, instead of waiting all day for the papers to bring us news of this or that, we can grab great chunks of it out of the air, at frequent intervals.

Then on Saturday afternoons we can draw a chair up to the fire, turn the dial, and for some three hours lose all sense of time and place and live in a world where music is the language used, and where the world's greatest singers, with chorus and orchestra, make our favorite operas live for us.

But it was Christmas Eve which made me feel that radio had made this wonderful night more akin to the one on which "there were shepherds abiding in the fields."

We had been sitting around the fire, watching the play of light on the glittering stars atop the tall Christmas trees, and the little red and silver bells hanging from the ceiling, swaying in the current of warm air, when we turned on the radio and a voice announced that Barrymore in Dickens' "Christmas Carol" would be on the air.

I suppose there are few people who have not read and re-read the story of the transformation of Scrooge. But on Christmas Eve he LIVED; we leathed him for his harshness to his nephew, the carollers and to Bob Cratchit; we pitied and shivered with him as the ghost of his former partner told of his inability to find rest and peace, because of the way he had used his opportunities while on earth; we trembled in sympathy as the dread spirits of Christmas past, Christmas present, and Christmas to come showed him what he was missing of the real things of life and where his present path was leading him, and we

rejoiced as we sensed the gradual change in voice and outlook, which culminated in his becoming a real benefactor to those whom previously he had ridiculed for daring to spend a tiny bit of his grudgingly paid wages, to make merry at Christmas.

When it was over we all felt we had gained something—a little more of the real spirit of Christmas, and could echo Tiny Tim's prayer, "God bless us every one."

And then, as the mystic hour drew near, when all heaven and earth still seem to wait breathlessly for the advent of the birthday of the Holy Babe, there came to us from the very air around us the lovely old carols.

One felt as Christmas morn drew nearer and nearer something of the awe and beauty which makes the story of Christmas Eve the most beautiful that can ever be told. Then softly the carols died away and a single glorious voice sang "O Holy Night," and just as the last moments fled, "Silent Night, Holy Night." A moment's silence, then the Carillon and the Halleluia Chorus.

Before the radio, unless we were situated where we could attend a midnight service, we went off to bed at the usual time. In our minds was a mixture of thoughts—cared for the coming day with its big dinner preparations; anxious wonder as to whether we had remembered all the people we really wanted to; guesses regarding all those tantalizing boxes under the Christmas tree and with only a little space left in our thoughts for the real Christmas message.

Now, we can live those lovely, solemn hours, which led up to the coming of the Light of the World, and feel anew the thrill of awe and beauty that belongs to it and to it alone.

If for nothing else than for giving one a true realization of Christmas Eve, I'd say, "bless the radio."

years that are gone. People enjoy, forget and pass on in the crowd, and so we settle down to 1940, to live out, or gradually forget the new year's resolutions.

SCOUTING RESUMED

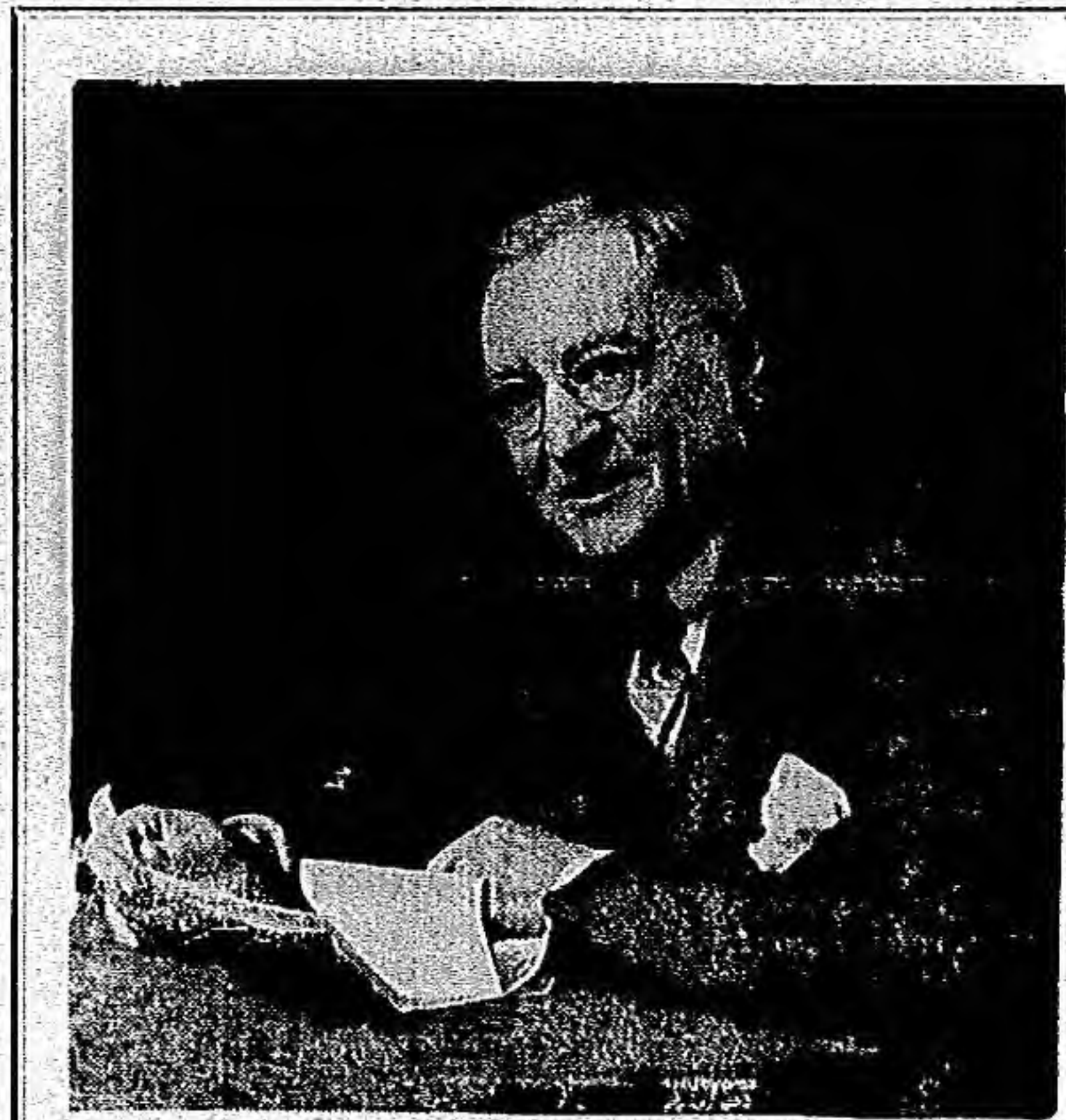
The regular weekly meetings of the 2nd Newmarket scout troop will commence this Friday evening at 7 o'clock sharp. Scouts will wear full uniform. Patrol leaders are asked to please get their patrols out in full force.

"WHAT IS THIS WORLD IF FULL OF CARE . . ."

(By Vivian Correspondent)

The usual excitement and holiday visiting is about over for another season and all draw a sigh of satisfaction and pleasure after meeting and hearing from many of their friends again, perhaps for the first time since last Christmas. Not that we value them so little but the rush of this age gives us little time for the lovely old social visits of the

TO BROADCAST NEIGHORLY NEWSFROM ONTARIO WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS



A. D. (ANDY) CLARKE

NEIGHORLY NEWS FROM ONTARIO TOWNS, VILLAGES AND FARMS

Ontario is a big neighborly community—even in the cities, people are interested in what the folks are doing in the home town and the home township. Starting Sunday, Jan. 7, from 10 to 10.15 a.m. E.S.T., Andy Clarke will bring "Neighborly News from Ontario Weeklies" to listeners of CBC's Ontario Network each Sunday at this hour.

Many thousands of Ontario listeners remember the friendly voice of Andy Clarke, formerly news editor of The Globe, whose "Good evening, friends" opened The Globe's nightly news broadcast for five years. In this new series, presented through the co-operation of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers' Association, Mr. Clarke will review each week's happenings in Ontario towns and villages and on the farms, as gleaned from the weekly newspapers of the province. Mr. Clarke's many years of newspaper experience have given him an intimate understanding of Ontario—its people, and their everyday interests; in "Neighborly News" he will keep listeners in touch with what Ontario people are doing, planning and talking about in that important part of the province that lies outside of the cities.

POLICE COURT TWO GET JAIL FOR OPERATING BUSH STILL

After pleading guilty to a charge of having possession of a still, George Mills and John Welsh, both of East Gwillimbury township, were each sentenced to jail for three months when they were unable to pay fines of \$100 each with costs. Magistrate W. F. Woodliffe imposed the penalty in police court here on Tuesday and he also ordered that the still and spirits seized be confiscated. The charge against the two men was laid by Constable H. G. Bateman, R.C.M.P.

"On the night of Dec. 21, Oscar Longhurst and I entered the bush at lot six, concession six, East Gwillimbury, owned by a Mr. Kay and we watched a still in operation for an hour before closing in on the two accused men," testified Constable Joseph Jardine, East Gwillimbury township constable. "Mills seemed to be doing most of the work but I saw Welsh take a

can and go to the creek several times for water. The boiler of the still was 45-gallon capacity. The still was complete in every detail and we actually saw it working. Both men were working in and around the still and assisting in operating it."

"I had no share in the still or the mash," Welsh told the magistrate. "Mills just asked me to come up and help him for that night."

"You knew it was a still?" asked Magistrate Woodliffe. "Yes," answered Welsh.

"You knew it was illegal to operate it?" "Yes."

"When did you first know about the still?" "The first thing I knew about it was that night, as I had never even seen a still before."

"The night we were caught was Jack Welsh's first night at the still," stated Mills. "I was broke and had to pay my board, so I thought I was better doing that than nothing."

A charge of breaking and entering and theft of six pigs laid against Allan Pike, King township, was adjourned one week. Pike is being held in custody without bail. Crown Attorney N. L. Mathews, K. C., asked for the remand and stated that further theft charges would be laid against Pike.

A charge of having illegal possession of liquor was reduced to consuming and John McNeice, Gormley, was fined \$10 and costs and the beer found was ordered confiscated. McNeice, who is out of work, was given one week to raise the money or else ten days in jail.

Alfred Moffat, Holland Landing, was fined \$10 and costs for the illegal use of license plates.

After deferring judgment for two weeks, the magistrate dismissed a charge of failing to educate three children laid against Mr. and Mrs. Richard Foster, Hol-

land Landing. "You must send your children to school," Magistrate Woodliffe told Mr. and Mrs. Foster. "I believe you have seen your error and I hope you have. If you fail to send your children, another charge will be laid and a second time I will not be so lenient."

A charge of not paying wages amounting to \$187.50 laid against James H. Foster, Queensville, was dismissed. The complainant was George M. Ritchie, East Gwillimbury. Defence counsel was K. M. R. Stiver.

Ritchie stated that he worked for Mr. Foster from Nov. 13 to Dec. 8 and that he was to receive \$2 a day and his board, but that he received only \$27.25 instead of \$48. " weren't you supposed to receive \$125 a day and your board?" asked Mr. Stiver.

"No," answered Ritchie. "I made the agreement with Mr. Foster to work for \$2 a day."

" weren't you paid in full at the end of each week at the rate of \$125 a day?" "Yes."

"You never made any complaint at the end of a week that you were not paid in full, did you?" "No."

"It is just since you have been laid off that you say Foster has refused to pay you \$2 a day then?" "That was my agreement with him."

Ritchie called two witnesses, Morris Stickwood and Stanley Foster, who both stated that they took Ritchie to see about the job and that he told them afterward he was to get \$2 a day, the same as they were getting.

Foster, when called to the witness stand, stated that all his men were paid \$125 a day and their board and that this included Ritchie. Ritchie was paid in full each Saturday night and he never complained about not receiving enough, stated Foster.

"I am satisfied with the evidence of Foster that the wages were paid in full, so the charge will be dismissed," stated Magistrate Woodliffe.

KESWICK CHURCH SOCIETIES NAME 1940 OFFICERS

The Women's Missionary society of Keswick United church are having a pot luck supper next Thursday afternoon to begin their year's work. All members and those interested are invited to come to the church with a pot luck dish at 5:30 p.m. prepared for the fun and knowledge to be gained there. At the first executive meeting of the officers of the Women's Missionary society for the year, it was announced that the allocation fixed for the society for 1939 had been reached.

The executive of the Young People's society of the United church for 1940 is as follows: president, Joan Elnsey; vice-president, Gerald Pollock; secretary, Muriel Rye; treasurer, Lorne York; Christian fellowship, Marian Malnes; Kenneth Boothby; missionary, Helen Rye; Doris McGenerty; citizenship, Helen Smith; Jack Smith; literacy, Jimmie Pedlar; Margaret Fockler; social convener, George Scotney; Marjorie Glover; Irene Barker; Ormand Walker; pianists, Margaret Fockler, Doris McGenerty, Marjorie Glover.

The executive of the mission band of the United church for 1940 is as follows: president, Betty Fisher; vice-president, Betty Morton; secretary, Geraldine Gable; assistant secretary, Phyllis Rye; treasurer, Lois Marritt; roll call, Lorne Malnprize; World Friends, Pauline Pollock; announcements, Marie Draper; games, Irene Pollock and Betty Fisher; superintendents, Miss Bernard Rye, Miss Helen Smith.

At the United church on Sunday morning, communion service will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. E. Fockler.

Last Sunday Mr. Fockler preached on a New Year's subject. He emphasized the quotation made by His Majesty The King in his Christmas speech, "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than the known way."

A good crowd gathered at the home of Mrs. N. Shortreed on Wednesday, Dec. 27, for the Christmas meeting of the Lakeside Women's institute.

Mrs. Barker, Mrs. Wm. Vall and Mrs. Barker were appointed as a committee to interview Roche's Point ladies regarding the St. John's nursing course. If enough wish to take the course in the immediate vicinity of Keswick, a course could be formed here. Will any who are interested notify a member of the committee mentioned. Certificates are granted to successful candidates. In the present war-time crisis, this course is of great importance.

Community singing of Christmas carols was enjoyed by the ladies present.

Letters of appreciation were read from residents of Keswick and vicinity who had received boxes of Christmas cheer. The committee in charge of the Christmas cheer made their report.

Mrs. Shortreed gave a very interesting report of the provincial institute conference held at the Royal York hotel in Toronto recently. Mrs. Ernest Duke of Port Carling was elected president of the Ontario Women's institute board. Hon. P. W. Dewar, minister of agriculture for Ontario, spoke regarding the weed menace. Dr. Reynolds of the Ontario Agricultural College spoke on the relation between the rural and urban districts.

Miss Florence Ende, head of the girls' work for Ontario, was Canadian delegate to the conference of countrywomen of the world held in London, England. She showed slides of the delegates in their native costumes and of her trip through Scotland and England. Mrs. Mary Clarke, superintendent of the Women's institutes for Ont-

ario, stated, "One of the best ways in which our soldiers can be encouraged is by the attitude of our women at home, in which cheerfulness plays a part."

Mrs. Obce Peters, Mrs. Cameron and Mrs. Hodgins, members of Elmhurst institute, were visitors. They brought a letter that had been sent to them regarding a demonstration. They wished Lakeside institute to co-operate with them in putting on the demonstration, which promises to be very splendid.

A delicious lunch was served. A vote of thanks was moved to Mrs. Shortreed for her hospitality to the institute for the afternoon.

There was great rejoicing in Mr. Frank Marritt's home this Christmas season, owing to the fact that Mrs. Marritt, who has been absent from the home for the past one and a half years as a patient in Gravenhurst sanitarium, has returned home, pronounced cured by the doctors of that institution.

Miss Edith Morton of Toronto, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Hamilton, of Sutton West, for the Christmas holidays, has made several calls in Keswick.

Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Fockler entertained on Thursday evening Rev. and Mrs. N. S. Anderson, Sutton, Rev. and Mrs. Hugh Shannon, Queensville and Rev. and Mrs. R. R. McMath, Newmarket.

HOPE

Hope, Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Boyd motored to Orillia on Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Herb. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Boyd, Newmarket, and Mrs. Mary Rolling, Mount Albert, to attend the wedding of Mr. Jack Boyd and Miss Grace Ferguson.

Among the Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Boyd were Mrs. Esthler Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Boyd and Louise, Miss Bernice Boyd, Mr. Staff. Byers, Mr. Carl Boyd and Miss Margaret Brown, all of Orillia, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Longhurst and Betty, Mount Albert.

The bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boyd, had tea on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. Boyd. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Pegg and family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Case, Newmarket.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Stickwood, Elton and Ronald, spent Christmas with Mr. J. Stickwood, Bogartown.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Morton, Donald and Ida, Oakwood, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Stickwood on Thursday.

Among the Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Micks were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gordon and family, Mr. and Mrs. Merlyn Gordon, Ravenshoe, Mr. and Mrs. W. Micks and family, Queensville, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Micks and family, and Mr. Jack Evans, Sharon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Gibson and Verne spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. August Gibson.

Mrs. Fred Gibson is ill. A speedy recovery is hoped for.

Miss Blanche Stickwood spent Christmas at her home. Mrs. A. Trivett, Newmarket, was also a guest at the Stickwood home.

Miss Lillian Pegg has returned home after spending a month with her sister, Mrs. Cecil Lepard, at Burford.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pegg and family, Mr. and Mrs. Davis and Gordon, Mr. W. Davis, Mrs. O. Stickwood and family, spent Sunday with Mrs. A. Trivett, Newmarket.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Dike, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Ganton and Donny spent Christmas with Mrs. C. Dike, Aurora.

Among the guests of Mrs. A. Dike on Sunday were Miss Laura Philmlster, Newmarket, Mrs. Oliver and Ruth, and Miss Audrey Switzer, Vandorf.

Mrs. Grey, Ballantrae, Mr. and Mrs. H. Broderick and Mrs. G. Broderick, Mount Albert, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Broderick.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Williams and family had dinner on Saturday evening with Mrs. M. Hall.

The Tansley family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Brenale.

The church service will be held at the usual time next Sunday, 3 p.m., with Sunday-school at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Mr. Josh Stickwood, Misses Lydia and Frances Stickwood, of Bogartown, spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. S. Stickwood.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gibson, Mr. Joe Gibson and Miss Amy Gibson spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. E. Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Boyd attended the wedding of Miss Bernice Boyd and Mr. S. Byers at Orillia on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Rolling, Mount Albert, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Boyd on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis, baby Gordon and Mr. W. Davis spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crouth at Poplar Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pegg spent Sunday in Toronto with Misses Elsie and Hannah Goode.

Mrs. Wm. Tansley spent Monday at the Tansley home. Mr. and Mrs. W. Fountain, Sharon, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. Pegg on Sunday.

Miss Eva Randall, Toronto, spent the weekend with Mrs. Geo. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Broderick and Mrs. M. Hall visited Mr. and Mrs. H. Broderick at Mount Albert on Monday.

Mrs. Geo. Micks visited Mrs. E. Gibson on Monday.

Mrs. Ganton of Newmarket spent Monday at the Dike home.

ZEPHYR SUFFERS STROKE WHILE VISITING DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Tinney spent New Year's with friends in Mantilla.

Friends are sorry to hear Jas. Keetch had a stroke while visiting his daughter at Gormley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dunn and Patsy of Newmarket were at Mrs. Dunn's old home for Christmas with Mr. Lunney and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Barton of the 7th con. and Mrs. Les. Hart of Toronto spent Thursday evening with their aunt, Miss Julia Madill.

Mr. Tilman Myers is working hard to get his rink ready for the young folks to enjoy themselves. All needed now is the proper weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Campbell, Douglas and Lola of Mount Albert had New Year's dinner at Mr. Gordon Rynard's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Galbraith spent New Year's at Weston at the home of their daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rynard of Peterboro spent New Year's with Mr. Rynard's brother, Mr. Wm. M. Rynard, and family.

Mr. Hiram McDougal of Kinsella, Sask., is spending some time with his mother, Mrs. M. Rynard, and family.

Mr. Billy Armstrong of Toronto is spending his holidays with his aunt, Mrs. R. Harman.

Mr. Alvin Walker of Toronto spent Christmas at his home here.

Miss Lena Lockie, Haileybury, is spending her holidays at her home here.

Bruce Lockie, Roderick Rynard and Mervin Rynard are taking a short course on farm mechanics at Guelph O. A. C.

Mrs. Oscar Silversides and Beth are spending their holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newton, at Hickson.

Mrs. Bartlett, Raymond, Kathleen and Clayton spent last Friday in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Pickering had a family reunion on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilman Myers had their family all home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Galbraith spent Christmas in Orillia with Mr. Galbraith's two sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rynard spent Christmas in Toronto with their daughter, Mrs. Palmer, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Armstrong and Betty spent Christmas in Uxbridge with Mrs. Harman and family and New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Milton Harman and family, 6th con.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Graham, Daisy and Mrs. David Graham attended the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Lepard in Newmarket on Christmas Day.

The two Christmas trees that are so nicely decorated on I. B. Law's lawn make a nice bright spot at the north end of the village.

BROWNHILL IS INJURED IN VAIN FIGHT AGAINST FIRE

On Sunday morning, about 11 o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Comer and family noticed smoke coming through the ceiling of their home and went outside to find that the roof was all ablaze. Mr. Comer got on the roof with a ladder and a boy, J. Williamson, who was passing by at the time, was handing him water when Mr. Comer slipped and fell to the ground and was unconscious for some time. Dr. McPherson from Mount Albert was called and rushed him to the Toronto General hospital. X-ray showed that he had a broken arm, four broken ribs and a bad cut on his head.

Neighbors soon gathered and got all the furniture from downstairs, but the house was burned down. Mrs. Comer and the four children are now staying with relatives.

The community extends sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Comer and family in the loss of their home.

Mr. John Williamson, who is working in Toronto, spent the weekend at home with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Cain have moved to Sutton.

"There goes a fellow who chased around for years trying to land a political job."

"Well, what does he do now?"

"Nothing—he got the job."

prizes. The topic is "Child Welfare," by Mrs. Smithers. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Andrew Hebb of The Era. The refreshment committee will be Mrs. Sturdy, Mrs. L. B. Pollock and Mrs. Carl Anderson.

The Elmhurst Women's institute met at the home of Mrs. Jas. Clark on Dec. 13. There were 21 ladies present and Mrs. C. Cameron presided at this meeting, as the president was unable to attend.

Toll-call was responded to by naming one's favorite Christmas carol, followed by a discussion on what the branch should do to provide Christmas cheer for this district.

Mrs. Weller Rose gave a full and complete report of the convention held in the Royal York. All their joined in carol singing, after which the hostess served a delicious lunch.

HOLLAND LANDING SCALDS FOOT IN KETTLE ACCIDENT

Mr. Wesley McCallum, who has been very ill for the past two weeks, is still confined to his bed.

Miss Verna Stephenson of Toronto spent New Year's with her sister, Mrs. W. McCallum.

Mr. George Stephenson spent New Year's with relatives in Kingston.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and Miss Jean Stephenson of Toronto spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stephenson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lower and son of Toronto visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Cook on Christmas Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fawcett and family of Toronto and Mr. Allan Fawcett of Ottawa spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fawcett.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pearce and family spent New Year's weekend with relatives in Belleville.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bell of Toronto had New Year's dinner with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson, son, Mr. Bert Thompson, and Miss Ida Thompson, who spent the weekend with their grandparents, returned home with them for New Year's.

While lifting a kettle of boiling water from the stove, Miss Hattie Bellar had the misfortune to drop the kettle, scalding one foot badly.

With bright moonlight nights and good skating on the canal, the young people have enjoyed the holidays.

Friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mrs. F. Kitching on Saturday evening and presented the family with an occasional chair and a table. The family is moving to Toronto this week.

Miss Connie Cook delivered the following address:

"Dear Mrs. Kitching and family:

"We, your friends and neighbors, view your coming departure from our midst with a deep and very real sense of desolation.

"We regret that we shall soon say farewell to you as neighbors but we wish you to know that, as friends, you shall always remain in our hearts.

"You have always been an asset to the community in every respect and words fail to express our feeling of unutterable loss.

"We trust that in your new home and in the new year that lies ahead you will find contentment, health and prosperity.

"We hope to see you frequently and beg of you to remember that everyone of you will always be welcomed in any home in this district.

"And now, as a token of fond farewell, we ask you to accept these gifts on behalf of the community."

The service in Christ church on Sunday will be held at 3 p.m., with Sunday-school at 10 a.m.

Quality Guaranteed "SALADA" TEA

The service in the United church will be held at 2.45 p.m., with Sunday-school at 1.30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sedore of Keswick spent New Year's with their daughter, Mrs. Aubrey Stephenson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffreys and family of Belleville spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pearce. Mrs. Pearce returned to Belleville and spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Jeffreys.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid. Milligan and family spent the holiday week in Toronto, the guests of Mrs. Milligan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Owens.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Deans of Willowdale spent the weekend with Mr. Deans' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Deans.

Off-truck bacon hogs closed at \$9.

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(Signed) Jim Gofrey.

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Over 5,000 people read The Era every week.

Prices on the local New Year's market on Saturday for poultry were: turkeys, 30 cents a pound, geese, 20 to 22 cents, chickens, 20 to 22 cents, and yearlings, 20 cents a pound. Butter brought 30 cents a pound. Eggs sold at from 25 to 30 cents a dozen. Apples were 25 cents a basket. Onions, carrots, and parsnips were 20 cents a basket and turnips and cabbage, 5 cents each.

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In addition, 50 persons subscribed for The Era for one year at a cost of \$2, (\$2.50 in the U.S.A.), and many others subscribed for periods varying from six months (\$1) to six weeks (25 cents).

And so it is throughout the year. In every month of the year there are quite a few people who take advantage of The Era's two-year subscription rate of \$3 for two years.

The Era is an outstanding value as a local newspaper at \$2 a year, but at \$3 for two years it becomes very much of a bargain.

Incidentally, The Era has a large number of subscriptions for three and six months, due to the fact that Era subscribers do not get into arrears and if short of funds at the time of expiration they usually prefer to make a small payment rather than to let the subscription lapse. "I'll renew it for three months now, and then renew it for two years," they sometimes say.

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NOTICE

The annual meeting of the lot owners of Newmarket cemetery company will be held at the fire hall on Monday, Jan. 15, at 8 p.m., for the consideration of the auditor's report, election of officers and transaction of general business. W. L. Bosworth, president, W. O. Carruthers, secretary - treasurer. c2w48

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SALE REGISTER

Friday, Jan. 5 - Auction sale of farm implements, hay, grain and household articles, etc., the property of the late Fred Dawson, north half of lot 37, Yonge St., township of East Gwillimbury. Sale at 1:30 p.m. F. N. Smith, auctioneer. c2w47

W. I. SENDS DONATION

TO CHILDREN'S SHELTER
The December meeting of the Newmarket Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. N. L. Mathews on Thursday, Dec. 20, with a splendid attendance. The roll call was answered by an exchange of Christmas gifts. Mrs. D. R. McDonald gave a very interesting report of the annual convention held in Toronto in November.

A special donation was sent to the Children's shelter on Yonge St. for their Christmas cheer.

Miss Kathleen Mathews sang a Christmas number.

The meeting closed with the singing of carols and a social hour was much enjoyed when refreshments were served.

The far greater number of classified advertisements carried by The Era is an indication of circulation and pulling power.

CHURCHES

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Pastor: REV. A. GREER
Sunday, Jan. 7, 1940
11 a.m. - Communion Service
Reception of new members.
7 p.m. - Subject: "Redeeming the Time in 1940."
Note - Prayer and Bible study meeting every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the parsonage. Come and receive a blessing.

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Pastor, Rev. E. R. McMath
Sunday, Jan. 7, 1940
The Rev. Dr. J. C. Cochrane, who was a minister of Trinity United church for some years, will conduct the Sunday evening service in Trinity, and it will be of interest to all the missionary societies of the community.
Dr. Cochrane is now superintendent of missions in northern Ontario and has some beautifully colored movies of his work. Dr. Cochrane will show these pictures at the service, which commences at 7 o'clock.
The public is invited.

BIRTHS

Dorland - At York county hospital, Jan. 1, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dorland, Newmarket, a son.

Merchant - At York county hospital, Dec. 29, to Mr. and Mrs. James Merchant, Temperanceville, a son.

DEATHS

Butler - At the Royal Victoria hospital, Erie, Sunday, Dec. 31, Joseph Butler, formerly of Schomberg, brother of Alfred Butler of Toronto, in his 85th year.

The funeral service was held Wednesday from the home of his son-in-law, Mr. J. Chantler, 28 Donald St., Barrie. Interment Schomberg cemetery.

Goode - At Queensville, on Jan. 1, George Goode, in his 76th year. The funeral service was held from the Strasser funeral home, Queensville, on Wednesday. Interment in Queensville cemetery.

Goring - At Newmarket, on Wednesday, Jan. 3, Elizabeth Ann Goring, wife of the late Henry Goring, in her 87th year. Resting at her late residence, 9 Ontario St. west, Newmarket. Funeral service at Christian Congregational church on Friday, Jan. 5, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment Newmarket cemetery.

Livingstone - At the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Browning, Lake Wilcox, after a short illness, on Thursday, Elizabeth Livingstone, widow of the late Robert Livingstone of Aurora and mother of Thornton Fleming Livingstone of Toronto, in her 91st year.

The funeral service was held Saturday afternoon at Trinity Anglican church, Thornhill. Interment Aurora cemetery.

McLeod - Suddenly, at his late residence, Mill St., Aurora, on Monday, Jan. 1, William McLeod, husband of Isabella Kells, in his 85th year.

The funeral service was held from the above address on Wednesday. Interment Aurora cemetery.

Silver - At Unity, Sask., on Saturday, Dec. 30, Barbara Bateman, widow of the late Myron Silver, and mother of Mrs. May McLean, Fred S., of Unity; Mrs. Blanche Smith of Winnipeg, and Oliver J., of Sutton, in her 91st year.

The funeral service was held from the residence of her son on Wednesday, at Sutton. Interment Briar Hill cemetery, Sutton.

Twigg - On Saturday, Dec. 30, at his home, 420 Clinton St., Toronto, Joseph Twigg (40 years, Bell Telephone Company), husband of Jennie Selina Baldwin.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday afternoon. Interment Mount Pleasant cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the patrons on rural route No. 1 for their co-operation, through the year, especially during the Christmas season.

W. A. King, Mail Courier.

In Memoriam

Morton - In loving memory of our dear sister, Carrie, who passed away Jan. 8, 1939.
Time takes away the edge of grief, But memory turns back every leaf.
Sadly missed by sister, Emma, and Selby.

Morton - In loving memory of our dear mother, who passed away Jan. 8th, 1939.
We seem to see in the soft, dim light
The face we loved the best,
And think of her when the sun's last ray
Goes down in the far-off west.
Days of sadness will come o'er us,
Friends may think the wound is healed,
But they little know the sorrow
That lies within the heart concealed.
We miss you no less as the time passes on
Than we did on the day of your going.
For absence can never close the door of our heart
And the lamp of our love is still glowing.
Your heart was the truest in all the wide world,
Your love the best to recall,
For no one on earth could take your place,
You are still the dearest of all.
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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

PHONE 12

-Mr. and Mrs. R. Tedford have returned to Montreal after spending Christmas and the New Year holiday with Mrs. Tedford's mother, Mrs. R. Bunn.

-Messrs. Samuel and Herbert Hollingsworth and Miss Helen Hollingsworth of Toronto spent the New Year's holiday with their cousin, Miss Eleanor Elvidge.

-Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thompson and daughters spent the holiday in Hamilton the guests of Mrs. Thompson's sister, Mrs. Eric Howell and Mr. Howell.

-Miss Gertrude Lambert of Ogilvia was a visitor of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Collins one day last week.

-Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Cole and son, Albert, spent the New Year's holiday with Mrs. Cole's mother, Mrs. Albert Stork, Oshawa.

-Mrs. Albert Stork of Oshawa visited her daughter, Mrs. Lorne Cole, and friends in town Christmas Sunday.

-Miss Nellie Taylor is spending her holidays visiting in Toronto.

-Miss Grace Gee left for Montreal yesterday morning after spending the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Elgin Perrin, Gorman St.

-Mr. Ronald McDonald of Toronto and Pte. and Mrs. Dudley Carley of Oshawa spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonald.

-Mrs. Alfred Spiller of Barrie and Mrs. J. Buck and two daughters of Toronto spent the weekend with their sister, Mrs. E. Moffatt, who has been confined to her bed for the past two weeks.

-Mr. and Mrs. Alex. MacKay of Kerrwood spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lambert.

-Mr. Fred Penrose of South Porcupine spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Penrose.

-Miss Bernice Thomas of Toronto spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Thomas.

-Mr. and Mrs. Ted Andrews of Oakville spent the weekend with Mr. Andrews' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Andrews.

-Mr. and Mrs. George Caldwell and son, Gary, and Miss Amy Caldwell of Barrie, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Caldwell of Toronto spent the weekend with Mrs. Thos. A. Caldwell.

-Messrs. Fred. Evans, Arthur Brymer, Walter Wrightman, Earl Wrightman and Allan McDonald, of the Royal Military Regiment, Toronto, were home on a four days' leave for the New Year's holiday.

-Rev. and Mrs. R. R. McMath, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Waters, Toronto, and their son, Rev. M. A. J. Waters, London, were dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Cook on Wednesday of last week. Dr. Waters was formerly a missionary in India and is now secretary of the Toronto Bible College.

-Rev. M. A. J. Waters is leaving shortly for Central India as a missionary of the United church.

-Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Dingman and Mrs. A. O. Dingman, York Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dingman, Toronto, and Miss Tomiko Hayakawa, of Japan, a student at the United church Training School, Toronto, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hebb on New Year's day.

-Mrs. Kay spent the holiday with her daughter in Orono.

ing the Christmas rush. Those copiers wrapped up are surely appreciated, for after all, we couriers are human and get cold fingers. Through the coming year I will try to render you the service that the Rural Mail Couriers' Association wish us to give. Wishing you the season's best, I remain,

W. A. King, Mail Courier.

N. H. S. EFFICIENT, IS INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Another fine report on Newmarket high school was given this week by R. H. Wallace, inspector.

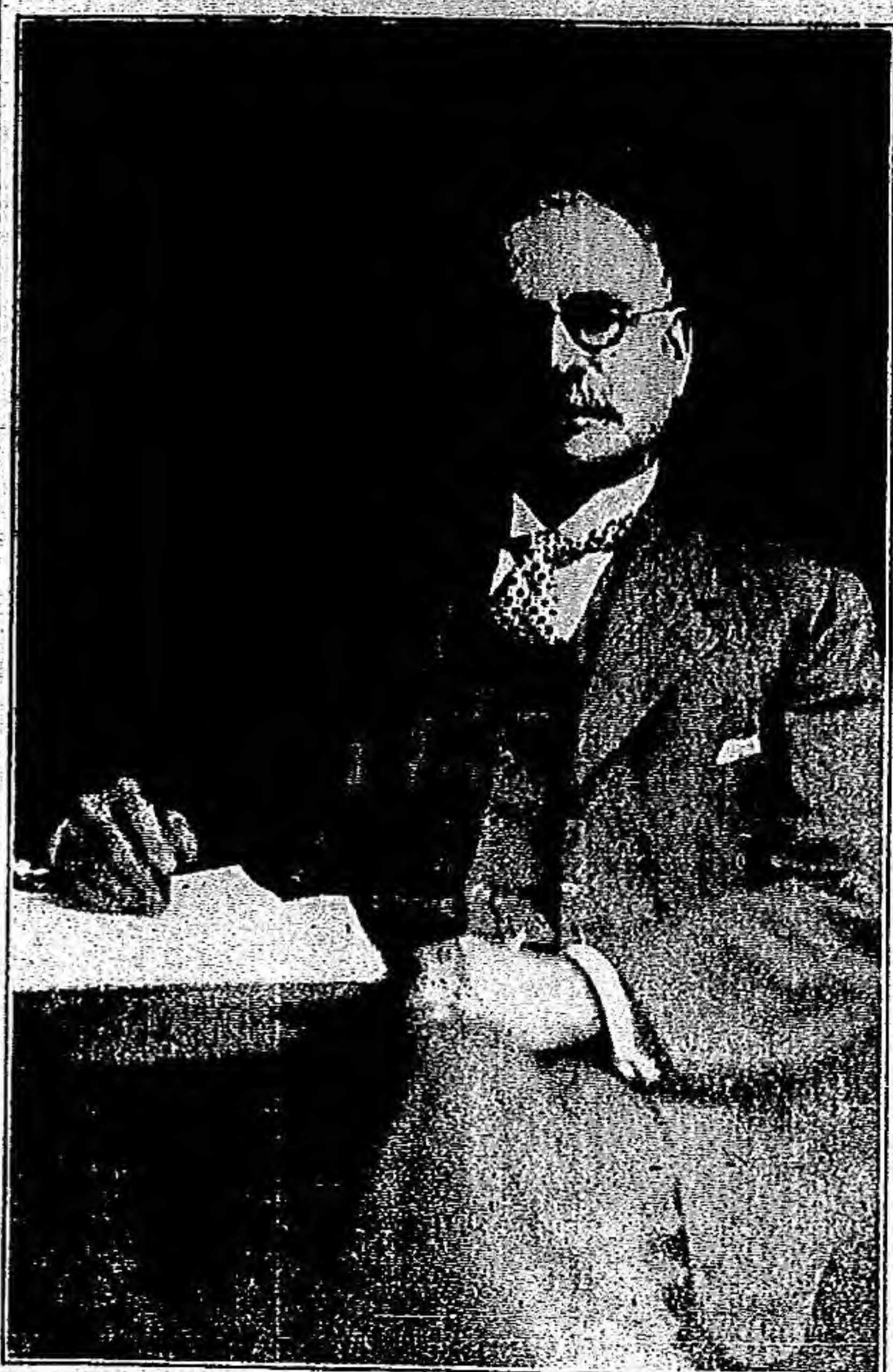
The report follows:
The accommodations are of a very satisfactory character and are being maintained in good condition. The highest grading is again assigned throughout.

The special art room with its well-planned equipment is a very useful feature of the accommodations. It would be a further advantage if a convenient water supply were available in this room. Probably this could be provided without undue difficulty or expense.

The equipment for the several departments of the work of the school is being kept at a good standard. Considerable additions have been made to the library for both reference purposes and general supplementary reading. Books have been provided also for the required additional reading in modern languages. Further useful apparatus has been obtained for the teaching of physics and chemistry.

The equipment in general is in a well-cared-for condition. An adequate allotment of time has been made for teaching the various courses. Vocal music is taught in all the first-year classes and both this subject and the commercial work of the general course are provided as options in the second year. The full work of the commercial department is begun in the third year and is carried forward on a two-year plan. The organization of the school for the current academic

Will Unveil Window In Memory Of Editor



The service in Trinity United church, Park and Main, next Sunday morning, should prove of great interest to the residents of Newmarket and surrounding neighborhood. A new memorial window will be unveiled and dedicated to the memory of the late Lyman George Jackson.

Mr. Jackson's name was a household one for many years, since he was the owner and editor of The Newmarket Era and a life-long resident of Newmarket. He was widely known in church circles too, and was connected with Trinity Church and Sunday-school all his life. At the age of 13 he was appointed assistant secretary and librarian of the Sunday-school. With this early appointment there grew a deep affection in his life for Sunday-school and Sunday-school workers; and he loved and served Trinity until the end.

In his will he provided for \$500 to be invested for the benefit of Trinity Sunday-school and his name will ever be green in the life of Trinity, as yearly the interest is used to buy bibles for all scholars graduating from the primary into the junior department. He was appointed superintendent of the Sunday-school when only 21 years of age, and held the office for 25 years. Later he was appointed superintendent of the home department.

Under the rules and order of the old Methodist church he was appointed class leader and for over ten years met his class weekly. No man loved the life and work of the church more than did Mr. Jackson, and he was ably assisted by his wife. He honored her memory by placing a beautiful window in the church in 1922. She had been president of the ladies' aid for 23 years.

The window in memory of Mrs. Jackson was placed in the west corner of the south transept; and this one in memory of Mr. Jackson will be installed in the east corner of the same transept. The Jackson estate has made provision for the installation in accordance with Mr. Jackson's wish. The special preacher for the occasion will be Rev. Dr. J. C. Cochrane, North Bay, who, during his ministry in Trinity, was a close friend of Mr. Jackson's. The Sunday-school will attend the service in a body and both junior and senior choirs will render appropriate music. It is expected that a number of Mr. Jackson's relatives will attend the service.

Mr. Jackson was born May 23, 1856, four years after The Era was launched, and died Aug. 11, 1934.

carefully and the written notes are neatly prepared.

A considerable number of interesting and helpful special projects have been carried out by the pupils studying geography, ancient history and Canadian history.

The classes in both boys' and girls' physical education are conducted efficiently. The apparatus work of the senior boys in the gymnasium is worthy of special mention.

This is a well-managed school in which the general standard of achievement is maintained at a very satisfactory level. The first-grade accommodations and the encouraging policy of the board in regard to the provision of equipment contribute to the good scholastic results; as measured by the departmental examinations, which continue to be obtained. The conduct of the pupils in the halls and classrooms and their attitude towards their duties are creditable to themselves and also to the principal and staff for the quality of their teaching and leadership in other activities related to the development of the pupils' abilities.

The daily routine of the school is carried on efficiently. In this, as in various other matters of executive detail, the principal is assisted by a capable school secretary.

The instruction in vocal music is making a useful contribution to the cultural life of the school. It is also gratifying to find that the pupils are making generous use of the material in the school library. They should benefit in the future from this opportunity to widen their reading interests while in school and to secure training in the use of works of reference. I trust that further extension of the usefulness of the library may prove possible.

I was pleased to have the opportunity at the close of my inspection of discussing matters relating to organization, equipment, and the work of the school generally with the following members of the high school board: W. J. Patterson, chairman, Rev. Dr. W. D. Muckle, G. A. Binns, A. N. Belugin, W. J. Geer, and A. M. Mills, the secretary.

The oral reading of the pupils and their oral expression generally in their classwork show that good results are being secured from the regular attention given these matters.

The results of the test in spelling given to all the first-year pupils were above the average. The writing of most of these pupils is very fair but should improve through further regular instruction.

The exercises in bookkeeping and for the most part those in business practice are done satisfactorily.

In the revised course in art much very creditable work has been accomplished. The good facilities provided for this subject encourage enterprise on the part of the teacher and the pupils. In most of the notebooks in science the drawings are made

BRUNTON'S FIRST OF MONTH SALE

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COUPLE WILL LIVE IN SUTTON WEST

At noon last Saturday a quiet wedding took place at Keswick United church parsonage, when Vera B. Fairbairn, daughter of Mrs. Fred J. Fairbairn and the late Mr. Fairbairn, Sutton West, became the bride of Llewellyn S. Tomlinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tomlinson, Baldwin.

Rev. C. E. Fockler officiated. The bride wore a dress of air force blue with black accessories and a corsage of roses. Mrs. Norman Kay, sister of the groom, was the bride's only attendant, wearing a dress of dusky rose crepe and a corsage of roses. Bruce Fairbairn, brother of the bride, was best man.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother for the immediate relatives, the bride's mother wearing plum crepe with black accessories. The groom's mother was in black crepe with silver trimmings.

Later the bride and groom left for a motor trip, the bride wearing a raspberry wine crepe dress with gold trimmings, black hat, black coat trimmed with Persian lamb, black suede accessories, and a corsage of roses. The couple will reside in Sutton West.

CHURCHES UNITE IN WORLD WEEK OF PRAYER

Following the custom of previous years the churches of Newmarket will observe the week of prayer next week. The world's evangelical alliance organizes this every year, and practically all non-Roman churches in the world co-operate. The purpose is to bring together for prayer Christians of all denominations—especially in regard to the needs of the world from the Christian point of view.

Specific subjects for prayer are suggested for all groups. The meetings here will follow the suggested objectives. In each case a short talk on the topic will be given—a visiting minister will lead in the devotions. The meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m. and last one hour.

The place of meeting and the topics are as follows: Monday, Friends' Meeting House, "Our Interference"; Tuesday, Presbyterian church, "The Universal church—One though divided"; Wednesday, Christian Congregational church, "The Distracted World—nations and their rulers"; Thursday, Anglican church, "The Ascended Christ and the Increasing Church"; Friday, United church, "The triumph of the cross—home life and education."

Copies of this program may be had at any church in town next Sunday, Jan. 7. The first meeting will be on Monday, Jan. 8.

AURORA HAS INSPECTOR OF ITS OWN, MAYOR SAYS

Following an inquiry by Councilor Frank Bowser, Mayor Dr. S. J. Boyd at the town council meeting on Tuesday evening stated that Aurora town council had appointed its own milk

inspector, rather than appoint a joint inspector.

"Until May 1," said Reeve F. A. Lundy, suggesting that the matter would then be open for reconsideration.

"Are we still paying our inspector for inspecting Cousins' shippers?" asked Mr. Bowser.

"Dr. Wesley has told him not to inspect Cousins," said Dr. Boyd.

"The board of health will have to adjust his salary," said N. L. Mathews, K. C., clerk and solicitor.

It was stated that the inspector employed by Aurora had previously been employed by Newmarket.

SOUTHDOWN

Dear Friends:
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Minus two regular centre men and two regular defencemen Aurora again tackled Bradford on Tuesday evening in the opening game of the local season, and despite this handicap subdued the men from the marsh by an overwhelming 10-1 count.

Bradford were unable to keep pace with the Aurora boys on the bigger ice surface and the result was some sparkling individual play, but a general lack of cohesion and direction.

In the first period, Michanuk and Cook scored, with Lowe getting the assists. "Joint" McComb added another on a solo effort, while "Mutt" Collings set up the play for Nesbitt to score Bradford's lone tally. Pearce scored for the locals to end the period.

In the second session Lowe again picked up two scoring points, giving Fanning the pass for the opener, and scoring himself after Owen Johnston had made a beautiful rush down the ice.

McComb, not to be outdone, made the whole Bradford team look foolish as he scored twice single-handed.

The final period featured a wild-swinging near-free-for-all when Cook and Collings clashed, and two more Aurora goals, the first by Jimmy Lowe on Michanuk's pass, and the final goal of the night by George Scott.

The game provided a nice workout for the local puck artists and gave Coach Pringle a chance to give some of his unknowns the acid test, and also to lamp some new material. Owen Johnston looks as if he will fit in nicely on defence. Jack Hood, a local farm boy, showed up nicely on the rearguard division in his first appearance. Bill Thompson and Dudley Wilcox also showed to advantage.

Of the regulars, McComb, Lowe, Scott and Michanuk were best. Tunney played well in the nets for two periods, as did Joe McGhee in turn. The redhead also had a turn on the forward line when he was not in the net. Herb Holman handled the game to perfection.

WIN AT BRADFORD

Aurora juniors travelled to Bradford on Friday evening to meet this year's edition of the celery kings, who are scheduled to per-

W. I. MEETS AT HOME OF MRS. G. A. C. GUNTON

A meeting of the Aurora Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. G. A. C. Gunton last week, when the hostesses were Mrs. C. Bilborough, Mrs. G. Walker, Mrs. S. Smith and Mrs. G. A. C. Gunton. Mrs. John Klees, the president, presided and gave a full report of the provincial convention of the Institute at which she represented the Aurora branch.

Christmas carols were sung by Miss Lorraine Fierheller, while Mrs. Bilborough gave a talk on "Temperance in the schools." Mrs. J. R. Harrison gave a paper on current events and the roll call was "Name your most appreciated Christmas gift."

The menu consisted of doughnuts, Christmas cake and tea. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. R. Harrison.

INSTALL OFFICERS

Officers of the Women's Missionary society of Aurora United church were installed in office this afternoon by Rev. Dr. E. J. Thompson. The annual reports of the year of the various committees were presented. President for 1940 is Mrs. Roy De La Haye.

ARE SUCCESSFUL

Former Aurora residents to be returned to office in Monday's elections throughout Ontario include Mayor-elect J. Anderson of Oshawa and Alderman Clifford Harman of the same city. In Owen Sound Garfield Case polled 2,024 votes to finish second in the aldermanic race. William Neal polled 368 votes to finish second in the Richmond Hill council contest.

ARE CONVALESCING

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Stephens, Machell Ave., will be pleased to learn that they are both well on the way to complete recovery after an illness of some weeks. Mr. Stephens has had pneumonia and Mrs. Stephens underwent an operation. They are both recuperating at their residence.

GRADS GET TOGETHER

On Friday evening the Aurora high school alumni association held their annual at-home with about 50 couples in attendance. Those present describe the dance "as the best ever."

In the absence of President George Hacking of Toronto the guests were received by Miss Dorothy McKenzie and Miss Vivian Quinn, officers of the association. Principal J. H. Knowles and Mrs. Knowles were also in the receiving line. Music was provided by Art West's orchestra.

The election of the officers of the association will be held at a later date. Many old boys and girls were present from distant points.

RE-ELECTED TRUSTEE

E. H. Kincaid, formerly of the Aurora district, but a resident of Unionville the past few years, was re-elected a trustee of the police village of Unionville last Thursday.

form in the O.R.H.A.

"Mutt" Collings, former Aurora star, was in the Bradford line-up to greet his former team-mates, and greet them he did, with a sparkling goal midway through the first period which beat Joe Tunney all the way. Despite some hectic moments around the Bradford net, in the first canto, the Aurorans could not put the biscuit past Boyd, who played a fine game all night.

In the second period McKeown made it two-nothing for the hostesses when he picked up W. Nesbitt's pass. Aurora now put on the pressure and a minute later Harry Pearce went through the whole Bradford team for a well-earned tally. With about a minute to go, Jimmy Lowe duplicated Pearce's feat.

The final period found Aurora in the driver's seat all the way, and only the work of Boyd kept McComb and Murray from scoring. Pearce got his second goal of the night when he took a pass from Jack Curtis, who set up the play beautifully. Michanuk took a pass from Brennan to pick the upper right-hand corner just prior to full-time.

All the local boys went well, with Pearce, McComb, Murray and Curtis being the pick. Boyd, Collings and McKeown looked best for Bradford. Dodge Collings officiated to the satisfaction of both teams.

WINS SILVER DOLLAR

The many radio fans of Aurora, who each Tuesday evening diligently follow a certain well-known radio half-hour program, received a kick when they heard Miss Jean Cook of Aurora called to the microphone from among the studio audience to answer one of the quiz questions.

Miss Cook missed the question but obtained a silver dollar when she produced a wrapper of the sponsor's product, and Aurora's popular restaurant, Dawson's Grill, received a "plug" over the air.

COUNTY COUNCILLORS ARE POPULAR

Aurora's two representatives to county council are already experiencing the responsibilities of office as aspirants for the various appointments and commissions of York county council seek to win their favor by personal calls, and telephone and "he solicitation of friends. Some aspirants to office were in Aurora as soon as the polls had closed.

COUNCILLORS WILL TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

The inaugural meeting of the town council for 1940 will be held in the council chambers on Monday evening, Jan. 8, but the customary opening ceremonies will be postponed until a later date, probably Tuesday evening, owing to the fact that the mayor and some other members of council have previous business appointments of importance which cannot be postponed.

It is understood that only the oath of office will be subscribed to by the members and the striking committee of council will be appointed. Clerk Cedric Willis will perform the ceremonies when the members of council take office.

ACTS AS CHIEF

Until a successor to Fire Chief Frank Rowe is found, Harry Jones, one of the senior officers of the force, will carry on as acting chief. Mr. Jones is one of the most capable members of the brigade and has acted capably in this capacity before.

ARE LUCKY

Winners at the junior hockey entertainment in Mechanic's hall last Thursday included: Leonard Scott, Mrs. Sydney Lastic, Pete Bertenshaw, Mrs. Chas. Milne, Mrs. Ted Anderson and Denny Richardson.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Nancy Helen Ericson of Toronto visited her aunt, Mrs. W. C. Waite, for a few days during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Smith and family of Connaught Ave., spent New Year's in Toronto.

Miss M. Anderson of Toronto spent the holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. R. McKenzie.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pattenden and family of Wellington St. spent the holiday in Toronto.

Miss Clara Bondi of Mount Forest has been visiting at the Caruso home for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Leggett, Miss Anna Leggett, and Mrs. R. Bryan were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hillard Bryan in Maple for New Year's.

Miss Joan Creighton of Richmond Hill visited her aunt, Mrs. A. M. Kirkwood, during the holidays.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore this week were, Messrs. Bill Fenwick and Donald Moore of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Coulson attended the New Year's eve party at the Toronto Hunt club.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dunn, Mosley St., spent the holiday at Braebury with relatives.

Mr. Fred Taylor, who is with the department of highways at Beadmore, Ont., visited his father, Major W. H. Taylor, on Wednesday.

Mr. John Stuart, Jr., left for New York this morning on a business trip.

Mr. Allan Knowles of Auburn, N. Y., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Knowles, Catharine Ave.

Dr. Lindsay Robinson of East Orange, New Jersey, spent New Year's with his mother, Mrs. Stewart, and his sister, Mrs. N. Nicol, Laramont St.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Codlin of Newmarket spent the holiday with Mrs. Codlin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson, Catharine Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Locke of Toronto spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. George Spence, Wellington St.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Reesor and their son, Mr. Fred Reesor, of Toronto, spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Lavelle, Centre St.

A pleasant surprise of Christmas week was a surprise party given on Christmas night in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Southwood's 23rd wedding anniversary, when a number of their friends and relatives gathered to wish them health, wealth and prosperity.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. G. Wilson spent the holiday with friends in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Harrison, Kennedy St., spent Sunday and Monday in Toronto.

Mr. William West, Kennedy St., spent the weekend in London, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hudson, Yonge St., spent New Year's in Toronto.

Miss Shirley Fingold has returned home after spending the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. Sam Pullman, in Midland.

Pie, J. F. Withrow and Mrs. Withrow were in town on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kirk of Spruce St. spent New Year's in Shelburne, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pullman of Midland spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. L. Fingold, Wellington St.

Miss Mary Milgate returned on Tuesday to Gilmore after spending the holidays with her mother.

Wedding anniversaries were celebrated on Dec. 31 by Rev. and Mrs. T. R. White, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lubbuck, and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Koffer of Maple were the guests of Mrs. J. Readman on Tuesday.

Pte. Bruce Browning, R.C.A.S.C., and Mrs. Browning were in town over the weekend.

Dr. and Mrs. G. A. C. Gunton celebrated their wedding anniversary on New Year's day.

Miss Arthur Wells of Maple was a visitor in town on Friday.

Mr. W. J. Pitts of Toronto, former Aurora resident, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Carberry, Wellington St.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKelvey of Geraldton, Ont., are visiting Mrs. McKelvey's mother, Mrs. Albert Stewart, of Yonge St.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lundy spent the New Year's holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Carberry, Wellington St.

Mr. Douglas Seath, who is attending the aviation school at Galt, spent four days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Seath, Harrison Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fry and family, Temperance St., spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. O. Estence of Toronto.

Mr. H. Mole of Toronto spent the holiday with his mother and his aunt, Mrs. Robert Hacking, Metcalfe St.

Pte. Elmer Stephenson of the Toronto Scottish regiment has been visiting his grandmother, Mrs. H. Smith, Laramont St.

Misses Mary and Helen Law of Toronto spent New Year's with their aunt, Mrs. J. J. Hartman and Mrs. T. Case, Wellington St.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Morris, Wellington St., were in Toronto for the holiday.

DOWN THE CENTRE

AT THE GROUP MEETING:

The two central junior B hockey groups finally squared away their difficulties and worked out a solution last week after a prolonged session which appeared to satisfy all the representatives. Big bone of contention was the admittance of Owen Sound Greys to competition, and Bill Garbutt and Al. Crossley, representing the \$35,000 investment of the new artificial ice-plant, did their best to pour oil on troubled waters.

The northern teams feared a grouping with Owen Sound would find their teams eliminated almost before the season started, while the difficulty as far as Aurora and Kingsway were concerned was not fear of being eliminated by the redoubtable Greys, but the long trip to the Sound. A double schedule between Barrie, Midland, Aurora and Kingsway, and a single schedule for each team with Owen Sound finally solved the problem. Aurora and Kingsway will each receive a bonus for attempting the long trek to the Georgian bay metropolis.

"Toboggan" Dobson, well-known as a baseball, lacrosse and hockey star, was in charge of the meeting, and did a fine job. He was always a storm centre with Aurora in its early days. Dobson, Norm Hooper, our contemporary of the Barrie Examiner, was on hand to cover the meeting. He will be remembered here as the goal-tender in lacrosse for Alandale juniors some years ago when they opposed the local Rangers. He was, also, if you recall it, the bone of contention following the play-offs which saw Aurora go on to meet elimination from a St. Catharines team packed with senior players who were, however, still eligible for junior. His column is one of the best in small-town Ontario.

Nat. Laurenceau was on hand for Midland and despite his protestations that Midland were really one of C calibre this season we think he had his tongue in his cheek, and we'll all have to use the well-known grain of salt. Barrie and Aurora are the only two teams who play on natural ice and plenty of fast action was the keynote of these two teams which met in the S.P.A. series. We don't think either team will be handicapped if ice holds out.

Golf in December? Believe it or not six hardy members of the Aurora golf club played the royal and ancient game as late as Dec. 17 on the local nine hole course, and according to all reports, they found the fairways and greens to be in fair shape and the individual scores didn't suffer much in comparison with those made in mid-season by the boys.

This, however, is not a record, for two or three years ago weather conditions were such that some members set up a record of playing every month in the year. You've guessed it, Bill and Doc were the leaders, in the December sixties.

Tigers! Eat 'em raw! Yeah! No, my friends, I'm not referring to the Bengals from Hamilton, but to your own local junior hockey team, who sport a tiger's head on their new white and red sweaters and who will doubtless be tagged by all, "The Tigers," for this season at least. Fans attending the Kingsway game will see the new sweaters as will the players for the first time on that date. "Hold that tiger!" may just be a difficult number for opposing teams to attempt this season.

Mutt Collings had a little peeve on against his old team-mates in the Bradford series. We always thought the boy had hockey brains, but if so intermediate company has dulled them down considerably, as witness his persistent sly tactics against McComb all evening, and his tangle with Grant Cook, in which he wound up on the bottom of the heap.

Owen Johnston appears to be headed for better things now that he is being given a chance on the defence, which is a new position for him. The former East Yorker is nearly at top condition now after a poor start, and after he has had a few games under his belt we think he may turn out as well as local hockey scouts thought before the season.

Transportation! That's the big problem that confronts the hockey club continually, and with a heavy schedule ahead it's likely to assume alarming proportions. Won't the business men of the town come to the rescue of harassed executives? Phil Fingold, Al. Mitchell, Albert Doolittle, Howard Morton, Doug. Knowles, Bert Knowles, C. E. Sparks are the fellows who have done their bit nobly. But they can't always go on hockey trips, and others must fill their places if things are to function smoothly and the club is to function in the manner Aurora fans are accustomed to expect.

On Monday evening comes the tid-bit of the season when the famed Owen Sound Greys invade the municipal ice palace, determined to walk off with the four points in the league standing that will be at stake. Both Aurora and Owen Sound were S. P. A. semi-finalists and in an exhibition match, played after the series was over, the Greys defeated the locals in the Sound by a 6-3 score.

Those who saw the game, including the Owen Sound officials, feel there is little to choose between the two teams and if penalties had been reversed the score might have been the other way. This game should be one of the best played locally in some years.

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ARE OVERSEAS

Relatives of Pte. Wilkie Fleury of the 48th Highlanders have received word that he is now stationed somewhere in England. Jay Styles and William Trent, two other Aurora boys in the same unit, are also believed to be in England.

LIVED IN AURORA EIGHTY-FIVE YEARS

The death occurred on New Year's day of one of Aurora's oldest residents, the late William McLeod, Mill St. Mr. McLeod was born in Aurora 85 years ago, on what is now Metcalfe St., of pioneer stock, being the son of David and Sarah McLeod. He has resided in Aurora since birth.

In 1880 he married Isabel Kells, who survives him. For many years he was connected with the operation of Aurora's first electric light system and when public succeeded private ownership of this system, he entered the employment of the Collis Leather Co. where he was for many years fireman of the plant. He retired some years ago, owing to ill health.

He was a member of the United church, and the funeral services at the residence on Mill St. and at Aurora cemetery were conducted by Rev. Dr. E. J. Thompson. Pallbearers were, Bruce Heise, Norman Elmer, Kenneth McCleeny, G. Wilcox, R. Bonville and S. Vines. He leaves surviving him, his widow, three children, Roy, of Kingston, Mrs. A. P. Heise and Mrs. John McCleeny, of Aurora, and two sisters, Mrs. Lewis Rhinehart, Mary St., and Mrs. William Smith, Metcalfe St., Aurora.

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allowing the use of the auditorium and other facilities of the school to outside organizations was considered. It was moved by Mr. Belugin and seconded by Mr. Geer that the present established policy of the board be terminated and that in the future any application for the use of the auditorium or other facilities of the high school will have to be considered by the board in each individual instance and be judged on its merits before any such application would be granted and then only on occasions which will not interfere with the proper use of the school and at a fee appropriate to the occasion.

On motion by Mr. Chantler, seconded by Dr. Muckle, and unanimously carried, it was resolved as follows:

Be it resolved that this board record its desire to have the county council of York appoint three trustees to this board and request the said county council to make such appointments accordingly.

The following accounts were presented: Town of Newmarket, \$54.15; Bell Telephone Company, \$3.90; Helmky's Transport, \$35; Canadian National Express, \$1.85; Moyer School Supplies, \$3.50; Underwood Elliott Fisher, \$25; Roadhouse and Rose, \$66.90; H. G. Binns, \$3;

Copp Clark Co. Ltd., \$14; W. J. Patterson, \$49.55; Thompson's Machine Shop, \$3.50; Wm. Dawson Subscription Service, \$3.25; Copp Clark Co. Ltd., \$4.09; Bell's Drug Store, \$15; Mr. C. Westbrook, \$150; J. O. Little, \$167.10; Helmky's Transport, \$3;

Bell Telephone Company, \$3.10; Town of Newmarket, \$37.75; Heinzelman & Co. Ltd., \$7.74; E. W. Campbell, \$29.05; W. J. Gage, \$14.40; A. J. Stephens, \$1.50; McAinslie & Co. Ltd., \$10; Canadian Geographical Society, \$2;

Mrs. Frank Hodge, \$14.55; Mrs. Charles Cunningham, \$72.75; Macnab Hardware, \$8.10; Robert Simpson Company Ltd., \$4; Sprague-Troyer Biological Service, \$2.20; Central Scientific Co. of Canada, \$8.18; Elman W. Campbell, \$38.55;

Clarke Irwin & Co. Ltd., \$9; Harvey C. Graham, \$3.25; Town of Newmarket, \$40.15; Bell Telephone Company, \$4.05; Clarke Irwin & Co. Ltd., \$1.17; Johnson Temperature Regulating Co., \$14.71; W. J. Patterson, \$32.00; R. W. Jelley, \$3.50; Geer & Byers, \$21.50; H. G. Binns, \$6.21; Wm. Boyd, \$5.80.

It was moved by Mr. Chantler and seconded by Mr. Binns that these accounts be paid.

On motion by Dr. Muckle, seconded by Mr. Geer and unanimously carried, it was resolved that the first meeting of the board for the year 1940 be held at 4 p.m. on the first Wednesday in February, instead of at 7 p.m.

The following communications were received: from H. C. Westbrook reporting an accident to Robert Lewis Oct. 2, 1939; from the Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company reporting satisfactory condition of the boilers; from Norine Ayers and Geneva A. Babcock expressing appreciation of gifts made to them by the board at commencement.

On motion duly made and seconded the communications were ordered to be placed on file.

There being no more business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

C. A. Malloy Defeats L. K. Farr By Record Majority, 650-348

SPARKS WINS OVER MORTON IN CONTEST FOR DEPUTY

DEVINS LEADS POLL

Theme song for the 1940 Aurora voters, if the election returns are to be taken as a criterion, is "Clap hands, here comes Charlie," for the two "Charlies," C. A. Malloy and C. E. Sparks, were respectively elected reeve and deputy-reeve at the municipal election, held New Year's day, by handsome majorities. Not for many years has Aurora seen a more keenly contested election, as all four candidates for the reeveships made an intensive personal canvass and had well-organized campaigns planned. Saturday saw last-minute campaign literature on the street on behalf of Mr. Sparks, and indirectly through the now famous Bodfish letter on behalf of Mr. Malloy. What influence these epistles had is difficult to gauge.

Last year Mr. Farr defeated Mr. Malloy for the deputy-reeveship by some 150 votes. This year Mr. Malloy reversed the tables, coasting home with one of the largest majorities ever rolled up in Aurora, namely, 302. Mr. Malloy headed the polls in every ward.

Mr. Farr campaigned on a continued clean-up policy, while Mr. Malloy based his campaign on the need for a good-will ambassador at county council and his long municipal experience. An alleged discrimination against John Bodfish, local electrician, by the electric light committee of which Mr. Farr was a member in regard to a power application for Mr. Bodfish's new farm property, was a side issue between Mr. Farr and Mr. Bodfish.

The fight for the deputy-reeveship saw C. E. Sparks, local dairyman, win a hard-fought battle over Howard Morton. The electors evidently were influenced by Mr. Sparks' municipal record and the fact that he was older in years than Mr. Morton, who had no municipal experience. Mr. Sparks

lost four out of the five electoral divisions, but Mr. Morton showed a marked gain over the vote he obtained in June against another veteran campaigner, Mayor J. M. Walton. Final count was Sparks, 583; Morton, 412, a majority of 121 for Sparks.

The return by wards for the reeveship and deputy-reeveship is as follows:

Malloy Farr Sparks Morton				
Ward 1, Queen's hotel	146	60	113	84
Ward 2, town hall	113	57	109	93
Ward 3, Mechanics' hall	168	101	131	138
Ward 4, Franciscan's house	107	76	105	80
Ward 5, Milgate's	86	51	105	47
	650	348	563	442

"Tell the voters I am grateful for their support," Howard J. Morton told The Era. "I had a splendid group of supporters who were responsible for my vote and I feel I have no reason to be downhearted. The public have made their choice, and I congratulate Mr. Sparks on his victory. It was a clean campaign. I appreciate the fact that many persons thought I should have had some previous municipal experience, but I felt I could best serve in county council, especially so when there may be no other municipal election until after the war is over."

Trustees Re-elected

The fight for school board saw the three retiring trustees re-elected over ex-Councillor Hugh Bowman, who sought a seat this year. The respective campaigns were quietly carried on, in fact, so quietly that until election day it was difficult to believe there was such a campaign in progress.

The chairman of the board, Dr. C. J. Devins, headed the polls, but he was only 51 votes in front of the third-man trustee, Fred Davis.

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS INSTALLED AT MEETING

Last Thursday evening Mayor Aubrey Fleury and his newly elected officers were installed in the chairs of L.O.L. 613 by a degree team under the direction of Wor. Bro. William McGirr. A feature of the evening was the presentation on behalf of the brethren of a past-master's jewel to Wor.

HORN-POWERED TAXICABS

By H. H. KROLL

Cato Neel was in a hurry. He had yet to go to Mrs. Lade's for the book-week material, and he had to do Oliver's column, "On and Off the Square," during Oliver's attendance at the state convention of journalists at the capital. He was driving the News-Journal car, and the hiccoughy contraption disliked to run slowly in traffic worse than it disliked to run fast when there was no traffic. Cato peered ahead, counting six cars behind the small-paced ash truck. He inched along carefully, however, for he was, above all else, an alert, sensible driver. The oncoming traffic was thick and fast, for Main Street.

At this moment the taxicab zoomed up behind and made an attempt at passing, while its multi-powered horn bellowed as though the little six-cylinder car were a fleet of omnibuses.

Cato Neel jumped. If there was anything on earth that rasped on his nerves, it was a ten-cent taxicab from the college up town bellowing for right of way, left of way, and all the way, were looked up into the rear-vision mirror, and snorted. "Just as I thought!" he muttered. "It's that steam-heated sap, Big-Talk Stevens!"

Cato had been racking his brain for a subject for "On and Off the Square." He grinned. He had it, even to the title—"Steam-heated Saps." His diatribe would be on local taxicab drivers! A long-suffering small town would read, at its supper table, what Cato Neel, "pinch-hitter" for Oliver, had to say about the bellowing variety of taxicab drivers.

The oncoming traffic thinned, the ash truck turned up a side street, and William Stevens, cap jauntily on the side of his head, his horn bellowing as though he were carrying a millionaire to a life-and-death financial conference on which the fate of nations depended, waved in and out. He was gone with a declining yowl of his vociferous horn. His car was empty, secured the book column material from Mrs. Lade on College Ave., and hurried back to the newspaper office. He dropped into a chair before a typewriter and began to pound.

"STEAM-HEATED SAPS!" Cato plugged a vitriolic portable when he was moved by something that lay close to his heart, and he was in a mood to dip the keys in some sour acids. He hammered fast, and his grin spread; it resulted in vague chuckles at his lean middle. When he was through, he pulled out the sheet, read, and broke into laughter. Something amused him greatly.

"You must have discovered you're a humorist," commented young Needham, laboriously gleaming a few sports items from a desk of college news.

"Wait till you read your eye-balls over 'On and Off the Square'! If this doesn't make Chief McNabb and Mayor Sam Hicks take the taxi-horn nuisance in hand, then I've missed my opportunity while Oliver's orating about the future of journalism in America!"

He carried the story down to the linotype men himself, still chuckling. The paper came off the press about four o'clock that afternoon, and the newsboys took their loads. Cato could not fork the joy of following the boy who made the business section, and listening in at the bunch of taxicab drivers and barbers who roared like turtles on a log on the iron railing just around the First National Bank corner. They read "On and Off the Square" first, to see if their names were mentioned; usually they were not.

Cato was just behind the newsboy when he gave the head barber the paper. "See how I read 'On and Off the Square'." The voice was Stevens'. "See who's on and who's off." "You're off—you're too dumb to be on!" said Scissors. He opened the paper. Cato darted into the niche of the bank door and made himself flat against the plate glass.

"Hail Hail!" he heard a roar of laughter. "Well, read it to us, Scissors!" "Boys, somebody's sure giving you all a spiritual barbering and personality scalp!" "Read it, Prince!" Scissors' voice drawled: "Of all the peanut-headed, gasoline-sniffing, steam-heated saps loose in the universe, some of our local taxicab drivers get the suspender button. If they had as much brain power as they have horn power, they'd have sense enough to know somebody besides themselves buys license tags and pays gas tax. You hear a snort and yowl behind you, that makes you almost leap out of your car, thinking a ten-ton truck is about to climb on you from the rear; you look back, and what, dear chillun, do you see? Why, there, you slap your eyeballs on an empty taxicab, and a driver frantically bellowing for your part of the street, his part, and the part belonging to oncoming traffic; he zooms past you with not a word and a fourth of a dollar a minute, when the rest of us know good and well he'd be over-paid at two-bits an hour."

He broke off in tremendous guffaws of laughter. A voice yelled: "That's Big-Talk Stevens! That's Big-Talk!" "Who wrote that about me?" snarled Stevens. "S. P. Oliver himself writes 'On and Off the Square,'" said another, chuckling. "I'm going to look S. P. in the eye and tell him where he heads in!" "Now, you won't, Big-Talk. That's just some more of your blarney!" "Oliver never wrote that," spoke up another. "S. P.'s off making

were not. Stevens should have been attending to his driving. He was not. Perhaps Cato never should have dipped his typewriter keys in the vitriol—but he had! For all these reasons the combination for trouble was ideal, and it happened in the twinkling of an eye.

Stevens was out in the opposite lane before he saw the truck. The truck driver saw the taxicab, too late. The taxicab made a gesture of climbing the truck head on but in a flash Stevens must have decided that would not do. He shot off far to the left, while the truck veered to the left also. Just as the taxicab started to climb a tree, the big truck scalped off Cato's left fender. When Cato had collected his scattered wits, he was on a nearby lawn, his car reclining against a column of Colonel Lucknow's imposing mansion, the taxicab was on a lawn across the street, and a woman was screaming wildly.

"Whew!" groaned Cato, and mopped his face. He scrambled to his feet. The traffic was stopping. The truck was half across the avenue. The woman kept screaming. Cato saw Stevens, trying to crawl out of his battered taxicab. Finding his bones intact, Cato darted across the street and helped Stevens drag himself through the door, which had been yanked from its moorings and now dangled in the turf. The street lights flashed on to supplement the lights from the hindered traffic. By the gleams of illumination Cato peered into the neighborhood. He gasped. He had never viewed it. It was ghastly. Blood ran from a cut on Stevens' cheek. The woman had stopped screaming.

Cato started once to groan, but realized it was not a groaning time. He knew people were coming from the houses. He heard someone yell, "Phone for the ambulance!"

Cato snatched at the rear door and flung it open. He heard a huddled woman snifle. Cato asked anxiously, "Hurt? Are you badly hurt?" He heard the siren of Chief McNabb's police car. He took hold of the woman and she turned her face to him. Horrors! She was "S. P.'s" young wife!

"Mrs. Oliver!" gasped Cato. "Cato!" she said. "Am I dead?" "Are you?" asked Cato hollowly. "Give me your hand, Cato, and let's see if I am!" She gave a nervous little laugh as Cato assisted her out.

She was not, nor was Stevens, nor the truck driver. Horns bellowed. Chief McNabb pushed through the crowd. The ambulance siren screamed. The truck driver appeared, looking pretty subdued. He and Stevens began to revile each other, laying the fault on the other's shoulders; then both of them looked at Cato and abruptly hushed.

When Mrs. Oliver discovered she was not killed, or even injured more than being a bit shaken, she walked, "I have to catch the five-thirty train, Cato!"

The News-Journal silver is over in Colonel Lucknow's yard, with the motor rammed back under the front seat. Mrs. Oliver, reported Cato, said.

Chief McNabb said courteously, "The police car is at your service, Mrs. Oliver." He fished out her grip, conducted her to the police car and sent her on her way, then returned, demanding of Cato and young Stevens, "Well, who's responsible for all this mess? Come clean now—look what a pile-up here! Get that truck out of the street!"

The truck driver faded. Directly his motor roared. The traffic bellowed. It took five minutes to clear the street; then Cato, Stevens and the truck driver found themselves detained, just as Mr. Oliver and Needham drove up and jumped out. "Where's my wife?" yelled S. P. Oliver.

"On the train by now, Oliver," said the chief. "Shaken a bit, that's all. But," he added, "it could have been a terrible thing. Now, returning to the three culprits, I want the straight of this, Stevens." Fixing the taxicab driver darkly, "This is some of your work! If I didn't know you are a good driver, I'd lay it all on you. You're a smart-aleck, but you're a good driver. What got into you?"

Stevens mottled his lips, but he said no word, after a covert glare at Cato Neel. "Well, well!" impatiently demanded the chief of police. "Out with your alibi!" The truck driver broke in, "Chief, this taxi had walked right out in front of me, blowing his idiotic horn. He had to take to a tree to keep me from flattening him out, and I had to slow down the News-Journal car to keep from killing somebody—that's the way of it."

It seemed Cato Neel's turn. Cato spoke quietly, as the chief turned with a dry grin to him and said, "Neel, what's your alibi?" "It was about half my turn—or maybe more. I was where I belonged in the street, all right. The truck driver was not at fault at all. Stevens and I were the ones. I wrote that stuff in the 'On and Off the Square' about taxi drivers, when it would have been better, I guess, not to have been so nasty. I ought not to have done that. I thought the drivers were, though they should long since have learned road courtesy. Stevens and I are the ones."

An odd hush fell upon the group at this forthright outburst. Suddenly McNabb chuckled and clapped Cato on the shoulder. "Son, you were right. But, as you suggest, you can both be right and wrong." He considered. "I'm letting you all off, since nobody's hurt. Okay, Stevens, any more horn bellowing?" "No, sir," said Stevens, humbly. "How about any more sarcasm, Neel?" "No more." "Okay. Clear out!" So it cost no more than that to put a stop to taxicab-driver discourtesy; although Cato Neel was the first to admit that the lesson could have been desperately costly. He dips his portable in vitriol no more.

VICTORIA SQUARE YOUNG PEOPLE ELECT OFFICERS FOR 1940

The Junior Farmers and Institute members were out in full force last Friday night to enjoy the December social sponsored by these two organizations. The evening was spent playing euchre and croquinoie, with suitable prizes being awarded the following: euchre, ladies' first prize, Mrs. Harry Barber; consolation, Dorothy Oliver; gentlemen's, Bruce Wallace; consolation, Bruce Empringham; croquinoie, ladies' first, Eloise Perkins; consolation, Carol Sanderson; gentlemen's first, Lorne Mortson; consolation, John Williamson. Refreshments and dancing completed the evening's entertainment.

The next social will be held on Jan. 16, when these two clubs will hold their annual banquet. Disagreeable weather on Sunday night did not dampen the enthusiasm of the United church Y. P. U. members, who turned out in good numbers to their regular weekly meeting.

Mrs. John Macdonald gave an excellent talk on "Spiritual Stock-taking." Following the meeting the nominating committee presented a slate of officers, which was passed by the meeting.

The 1940 executive is as follows: hon. president, Rev. John Macdonald; past president, Fraser Gee; president and vice-president to be elected later; secretary, Doris Knapp; general treasurer, Andrew Forson; missionary treasurer, Marian Boynton.

Christian fellowship, Mabel Caseley; Christian missions, Bonnie Robertson; Christian citizenship, Ian Macdonald; Christian culture, Margaret Avison; recreation convener, Earl Empringham and Eloise Perkins; leadership training, Boyd Mount; girls' work, Viola Avison; boys' work, Fraser Gee; pianists, Boyd Mount, Jean Macdonald, Marjorie Hart; song leaders, Walter Smith, Viola Avison, John King; ushers, Bruce Empringham, Leslie Hart, W. J. Stansbury; auditors, Gordon Morton and Jas. Valliere; publications, Mabel Sanderson.

To the editor and staff of this paper and to all the readers of this column the correspondent says a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

VANDORE PRESENT TWO SOLDIERS WITH REMEMBRANCES

Miss Jean Switzer returned home on Tuesday after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Switzer of Longlake, Ont.

Miss Olive Bostwick spent the Christmas holidays with friends in Midland.

Pte. Stanley Sloman and Pte. Robert Gittins spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Richardson.

On Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. George E. Richardson entertained a group of friends at a New Year's party, given in honor of Pte. Robert Gittins and Pte. Stanley Sloman, of the Royal Regiment of Canada.

The evening was spent in games, singing, contests and dancing. Lunch was served at midnight and was followed by the drinking of toasts to his majesty, his majesty's forces and the ladies.

The toasts were proposed respectively by Arthur Starr, Pte. Robert Gittins and Miss Norma Kingdon and replied to by Pte. Robert Gittins and Mrs. Geo. Richardson.

During the evening Harry Lavender read an address and Miss Audrey Switzer presented each of the guests of honor with a fountain pen on behalf of those present. Copies of the address, signed by those present, were presented to the guests of honor as mementos of the occasion. A New Year's cake, made and trimmed to resemble a fort, was cut with a British service bayonet by Pte. Gittins and Pte. Sloman and passed to the guests by the hostess.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Willis over the New Year's weekend were Miss Mary Willis of Weston, Misses Annie and Ruth Willis and Miss Jean McKnight of Toronto.

Mr. H. A. Switzer is visiting relatives in Scotland, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert White had New Year's dinner with friends in Toronto on Monday.

Kettleby

Miss Muriel Crawford has returned to Rosseau to continue her teaching duties, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Crawford.

PLEASANTVILLE RATEPAYERS ELECT SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Mr. and Mrs. Reeves of Toronto spent the New Year with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hunt.

Mrs. G. McClure, Orley, Doris and Murray had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. H. McClure and Rae, after attending the Disciple church.

The Harper families were New Year's day guests of the Booth family at Mongolia.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Hunt and Harry, Mr. and Mrs. Hall and son, George, of Sharon, and Mr. and Mrs. R. Kay of Zephyr spent New Year's day at the home of Mr. Ivan Kay and family.

Mrs. Allan Forbes returned to her home in Toronto on Monday after spending the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Toole.

Mrs. A. Richardson and Mrs. C. Peterson of Aurora had Friday dinner with their sister and family, Mrs. G. McClure.

Mr. J. Stickwood, and Misses Lydia and Frances Stickwood, of Bogartown, had New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Stickwood, Holt.

Last Thursday, Mrs. A. M. Colville entertained Miss D. McClure and Mrs. Ridley to afternoon tea. The annual Union S. S. supper proved a decided success last Thursday at the old meeting house.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Drury and baby of Brechin spent the holiday week with Mr. and Mrs. George Drury, Bogartown.

Last Wednesday night the ratepayers' meeting was held in Bogartown school with an attendance of 28. Trustees for the year 1940 include J. Stickwood, D. McClure and F. Williams; secretary-treasurer, Harry West.

Mrs. Earl Toole and two children and Miss Erma Taylor of Newmarket visited friends and relatives at Zephyr and Cedar Brue for the holiday weekend.

SCHOMBERG TOMMY SAUNDERS DIES IN 22ND YEAR

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Marchant and daughters, Shirley and Helen, and Mrs. W. E. Ferguson and Miss S. Cooper, Weston, had New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Lloyd.

Miss Ruth Westlake, Toronto, was a weekend visitor with her cousins, Misses Grace and Mary Wauchope.

Mr. Roy Jennings spent the New Year weekend with his mother, Mrs. J. Jennings, in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Marchant spent New Year's with their son, Mr. Clarence Marchant, and Mrs. Marchant.

Quite a number of young men from town attended the funeral in Toronto of one of their friends, the late Tommy Saunders, who passed away following an operation in a Toronto hospital.

This young man, who had only lived here a short time, had taken an active part in football and hockey and his many friends were shocked to hear of his death. He was in his 22nd year.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the parents and sisters.

The ladies' bridge club met on Friday evening at the home of Mrs. M. K. Dillane. The husbands were guests.

Prizes were won by Mrs. C. Morrison and F. Clarridge. An old resident of this district, Miss Fannie Lynn, passed away suddenly at her home at Linton on Tuesday, Dec. 26. The funeral service was held at the home of her niece, Mrs. Nelson Wauchope, with burial in the Ninth Presbyterian cemetery.

PINE ORCHARD SUNDAY SCHOLARS HOLD SKATING PARTY

The Union Sunday-school enjoyed an afternoon skating party last Thursday and then had supper and treat at the meeting house. It was voted quite a success and a change from the sleigh-riding party usually enjoyed each year.

The annual meeting of the school section was held last Wednesday morning. There were 22 present. Win. Lundy was re-elected trustee.

Mrs. H. Wicke has returned to be principal of the school as it held resigned to take a position in the city. Mrs. Wicke, Donald and Barbara, have moved into part of C. Brandon's house.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Greenstead on New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hunt of Aurora were "at home" in their relatives on New Year's Day. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Roy Geer and family; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Webster and Betty, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curtis and Jean; Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Thos. Webster of Woodbridge; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clarkson and family and Mr. and Mrs. William Geer and family of Newmarket.

The United church choir were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curtis on Friday evening after an enjoyable sleigh-riding party. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess.

Mrs. John Skinner left Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents at Dresden.

Miss May Stevens of Toronto spent the weekend at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hope, Miss Betty Hope and Mr. Douglas Hope had New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. S. VanLaven in Newmarket.

Messrs. Herb. and Bruce Reid of Toronto spent the holiday with their mother, Mrs. J. Reid.

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Widdifield, Mr. Kenneth Widdifield, Mr. and Mrs. Merlyn Widdifield and family, all of Newmarket, spent New Year's day with Misses M. and A. Widdifield.

Pte. T. Tidman of Stanley Barracks and W. Simmons of Toronto spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. P. Tidman and family.

Miss Leda Hawtin and Mr. Russell Hawtin returned on Thursday after spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Milne and family at Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lundy had a family gathering on New Year's day when Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lundy, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lundy and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Galley of Toronto and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lundy of Hamilton and Mr. Lundy's sister, Mrs. H. McClure, and Mr. McClure and Rae, and brother, J. Lundy, and Mrs. Lundy formed the happy circle.

EVERSLEY "GROW FOOD, DIG FOR VICTORY," IS SLOGAN

"A glad New Year, Oh, hold it dear, For God who sendeth, He only lendeth."

What happened to the Eversley items of two weeks ago? They must have been mixed up with the Christmas cards. Well, small loss. But they told of the jolly concert given by the Sunday-school and public school pupils.

On Christmas day the people of the community either visited or had others visiting here. It was a Merry Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthews of Hamilton visited Mrs. Matthews' sister and family, the Norman Fergusons of Maple Avenue, Falm. Mr. and Mrs. James Wells visited there later in the day.

Miss Alice A. Ferguson spent Christmas in Richmond Hill with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Isa Ferguson, and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Ferguson, and her friends, Mrs. Atkinson and Mrs. W. S. Jenkins. The Gellatlys spent Christmas in Toronto with other members of the family.

The Gellatly family spent New Year's day at home.

Miss Lillian Crossley of Toronto came home to spend the Christmas weekend with her mother, Mrs. S. Crossley, and her sister, Mrs. Ward. Miss Crossley is one of King's noted musical artists, widely known as a singer.

In spite of drifting snow on Sunday night, a fair crowd attended Eversley church to hear Rev. M. E. Burch give a real message of courage for the new year. Mr. Burch's text was the closing verse of Matthews' gospel, "And Lo! I am with you always." "We need this Companion for this year, a war year—with all its mystery," he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Larkin and family were present. They are welcomed to the community. Mr. and Mrs. Larkin and family occupy the bungalow recently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Kemp.

Snowball Women's Institute held its Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Gellatly. There were 17 present and a full hour of business was occupied with plans to make money for the Red Cross. Miss Ruth Webb, teacher in the Wm. Burgess school in Toronto, gave a very clear talk on the new curriculum for school, the "project" school system.

The lunch hour was much enjoyed and apple recipes were given and demonstrated by apple sauce, cake, dried apple cake, apple fluff, apples cooked with cloves, specially time apple sauce, etc. A number of very clever wood carvings made by the pupils of Miss Webb's school were sold for the Red Cross. One was sold for a parrot, gaily painted and bought by Mrs. Farren's granddaughter.

On the envelope of a Christmas card, received from England, was stamped this slogan: "Grow Food, Dig for Victory."

This just suited this correspondent for she is hand-picking beans and drying apples for future needs of the army.

AURORA OUR FIRST HIKE

By JOHN CRYSDALE

Last Saturday, Nov. 25, we went on our first hike as a Lone Scout Patrol. Our Lone Scout Patrol, which is composed of five boys eager for scouting, John Crysedale, David Smith, Kenneth Jones, Douglas Fisher and Peter Crysedale, is called the Fox Patrol. Our counselors who help us in our work are Jack Crabtree and Dr. Guntton, who was formerly superintendent of the First Repton Troop.

Dr. Guntton came with us on our first hike and he helped us to have a good time. Taking with us steak, potatoes, scout knives and matches we went up to Mr. J. P. Willis' summer home on near Sunset Point in Dr. Guntton's car. On the way we practiced scout's pace, which enables

one to travel a long distance without tiring. Scout's pace is 20 paces running and 20 paces walking and so forth over again. In second class scout work scouts learn to go one mile in 12 minutes without using a watch and using scout's pace.

On arriving at Mr. Willis' place we went back to the woods and Dr. Guntton showed us how to light a fire when there is no dead cedar or silver birch around. You take a piece of dry wood about an inch in diameter and whittle it into the likeness of a shaving brush but with the end extending beyond the shavings and sharpened. The sharpened end is stuck in the ground and the kindling piled around it, tent-wise. After the fire is started other wood can be piled on.

When a bed of coals has formed on go the potatoes. The potatoes are wrapped in a blanket of clay or mud an inch thick and then buried in the hot coals. This was certainly a cold job because we had to dig into the swamp for mud with our hands for everything else was frozen up.

When the potatoes were all on the coals we played fox and hounds. In this game two of the scouts are foxes and the others are hounds. Ken and Doug were the foxes so they were given a five-minute start. The idea of the game is that the foxes make a trail leaving marks here and there to show where they had gone. If the foxes get home safely they win, but if the hounds catch them, the hounds win.

Foxes Ken and Doug went out over hill and dale and we went after them but could not pick up their trail. However they had doubled back and when we were going through some bushes we saw some freshly broken twigs. Then we branched out and some more marks were found. Then at last we got on the trail. Some blaze marks were found and then some one spied four shoes and soon the foxes were "dead."

After this we all went back for grub. Say, this was a meal we will not forget for a long time. First, we made some spits and then we secured pot the steaks on the ends. Soon four or five steaks were sizzling over the fire gradually beginning to look brownish and browner. Sniff, Sniff, Boy, were the guys sniffed whose steaks were already finished. The steaks were a luscious brown, good and hot and disappearing very fast. The potatoes were also finished now and they went down with great rapidity too. And all too soon the time had come to go home. After pulling the fire apart we piled

into the car and made for home with a great story to tell.

TORONTO WOMAN TALKS AT BRITISH ISRAEL MEET

Last Sunday Miss Gwen Braund of Toronto was the speaker at the regular meeting of the British Israel Federation, taking for her subject, "The Division of the Kingdom."

She took a special verse from Psalm 114, "Judah was his sanctuary, and Israel his dominion," and traced through the history of Judah and Israel in the Bible to show how it has been literally worked out up to the present day.

The members were particularly pleased with the address of Miss Braund last Sunday, her pleasing manner and cultured voice and delivery making her address very easy to follow, and all commented her for her capable handling of her subject. Miss Braund was here previously when, as one of the six crusaders, she took part in the continuous address of ten minutes each on "The laws and statutes."

Family Touch

"When we are married," she said, "you won't expect me to give up all my spinster ways, will you?"

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being published in the Ontario Gaz-
ette; and that in default of payment
of the taxes, the lands will be sold
by public auction on Saturday,
Jan. 13, 1940, at the hour of 3 o'clock
in the afternoon at the commu-
nity hall, Belhaven. W. Erwin,
Winch, treasurer. c16w33

Man the Boats

The liner quivered from stem to
stern, and then, with a harsh,
grating sound, it came to a full
stop. Suddenly a man in a long,
flowing white nightgown was seen
to appear from the direction of the
cabin and make for the captain's
bridge.

"Oh, Captain, Captain," he cried;
"what's happened? have we struck
an iceberg? Shall I get into my
life-belt? Won't you please lower
the boats?"

"Too late," replied the captain;
"we've done all we can for you, and
you'll have to look out for yourself
now. You see, we've just tied up
in dock."

Change for the Better

"But you guaranteed that this
watch would last me a lifetime."
"I know—but you didn't look
very healthy the day you bought
it."

SLAPS 'N' SCRAPS



HERE
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WHERE

By RALPH M.
ADAMS

With the death of the "terrible
thirties," we look upon a new
era in the sporting world. Al-
tho the past ten years were not
bad for the sporting fraternity,
we can still have plenty of
improvement during the next
ten.

One angle of the past ten win-
ters we in this town can always
look on with pride was the cham-
pion Newmarket Redmen, the
gamest team to ever bring home
the bacon in the Memorial Cup,
thus making the old canal town's
name synonymous with every-
thing that even mentions hockey.

Don't forget you fans that the
burg is the smallest place to ever
boast the winners of the junior
title of Canada, something that
we all will never forget.

Even yet hockey fans every-
where, when they find you are
from the canal town, ask: "What
kind of a hockey team are you
going to have this season?" and
with junior coming back this
season we will have something
to answer that question with
after a silence of quite a few
winters.

Boy, how I wish I could have
been burning up a typewriter
when we had the '33 edition of
the Newmarket Redmen instead
of pushing a pen at school.

Now, to come up to date, the
opening game of the season in
the junior group is tonight, with
yours truly holding down a ring-
side seat.

No doubt some of you fans are
rather dubious as to the quality
of our junior entry. Some of
you perhaps think when I put
them on the back that it is mere-
ly paper talk and I have to write
something, but I have never been
accused of patting people on the
back for nothing, in fact, to the
contrary.

So-o-o there is just one way to
find out and that is to come and
see the boys go tonight and see
if I'm not rite when I say that
they are as game a bunch of
green kids as I have ever seen.

But give them a couple of
winters under their belts and
then watch them go and it will
take a first-class "A" squad to
take them and I don't mean per-
haps.

On the reports and the figures
the locals should take the Sutton-
ites by a safe margin, but then
figures and facts have a way of
lying sometimes and the boys in
green might upset the dope.

With a full week on the ice
and the cushion in perfect shape
the boys should be vastly
improved in their team-play, as
that was one of their most glaring
weaknesses in the two en-
counters in Midland.

Come on, fellows, give the kids
a break and let them see the old
town is once again behind junior
hockey by turning out en masse
to the opening game.

Our two local mitt slingers go
into action tomorrow nite in the
Queen city at the Old Pals show,
under that club's colors, where
they have been working out the
last month.

Tommy Burke will run into a
tough customer in Al Grace, the
boy who copped a doubtful de-
cision from him a year last fall.
Tommy is counting on reversing
that odorous count against him,
perhaps by the old k.o. route.

In the welter class Johnny
O'Connor stacks up against
Jackie Ball, as tough a little
bundle of dynamite as ever drew
on a glove in amateur ranks.
This bout should be a dazzler as
both boys like the rough going.

Incidentally, your scribe hears
from good authority that should
the boys make a hit (and I don't
mean hit the canvas), they have
been promised a shot at the
amateur bouts in the Maple
Leafs hall.

So keep an eye on these
leather-pushers, who may yet
make a name for themselves in
the world of cauliflower ears and
tired muscles.

Along the grapevine . . . With
all the "Bowl" games on New
Year's day one would almost
think football was a game played
with crockery . . . From my
man Friday I understand the
N. H. S. football team had a
chance to play in the "Finger-
bowl" game but all pleaded out
of condition after the two holi-
day weekends . . . In the senior
O. H. A. series the teams are
nearly having a battle that is, all
except Galt, who are badly out-
classed . . . Funny this year,

GLENVILLE
MANY SKIERS USE
GLENVILLE HOSTEL

The Glenville hills are again
this year a most popular resort
for the skiers. About 30 skiers
spent the weekend holiday at
Mrs. A. Edwards' at the Cana-
dian Youth Hostel.

Mrs. J. Jones was hostess to
four skiers from Toronto for
three days during the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Somer-
ville and family were visiting in
Toronto for the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jefferson,
Marion and Bruce, Miss J. Jordan,
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Paris and
Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Shaw were
Sunday visitors at the Wray
home.

A. Edwards is in the Toronto
General hospital receiving treat-
ment for his knee. All hope he
will soon be able to be home
again.

Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe and
Misses Clarice, Hazel and Elsie
Sharpe of Toronto spent New
Year's day at Mr. Ross Black's.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Keffer spent
New Year's in Toronto with their
daughter, Mrs. G. Dutton.

Mr. Percy Deavitt of Toronto
was home for the holiday and
spent Sunday with his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Deavitt, at
Mr. F. Gartshore's, Sharon.

Miss Dorothy Gartshore spent
the holiday week with her grand-
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm.
Deavitt.

Sharon

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hillaby
and Douglas spent the weekend
in Toronto.

Mrs. J. Moore and Miss G.
Moore of Toronto and Miss Mar-
jorie Moore of Winnipeg visited
Mr. and Mrs. Alan Shaw on Sun-
day.

Dr. and Mrs. D. R. Fletcher of
Toronto spent the weekend with
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tate.

Mrs. F. McKrill and Shirley
spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs.
Mitchell of King.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Steele of
Orillia and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford
Terry of Newmarket spent New
Year's day with Mrs. McKrill
and Shirley.

The service at the United
church on Sunday will be held
at the usual time, 7:30 p.m. and
Sunday-school at 10:30 a.m.
Everyone is welcome at both ser-
vices.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Edwards
visited Mr. and Mrs. Peter
Atkinson on New Year's day.

Miss Blanche Hall of Mount
Albert spent the weekend at home.

PEPPER AND SALT

By Pep.

The Newmarket Junior Redmen
get their first taste of "C" competi-
tion tonight. Markham faced
Sutton at 7-1. Unless this was
an off-night for the Greenshirts,
they are set for a drubbing because
the locals expect to see an enter-
prising bunch of debutantes (gen-
der masculine).

In conjunction with the game,
the hockey club is awarding
chickens to lucky ticket-holders.
It's a little late in the season to
get your Christmas or New Year's
supply of winged tidbits, but they
will keep. (For refutation of this
apply to any local poultry dealer.)

Johnny O'Connor and Tom Burke
begin their 1940 mitt campaigning
in the Apex gymnasium, Queen St.,
Toronto, Friday night. The Old
Pals' organization is promoting the
event.

O'Connor will trade punches with
Jack Ball. Burke takes on Al
Grace. If Johnny works a la
Joseph Louis, as in the last arena
promotion, Ball is in for a tough
two minutes or whatever time he
cares to stay. If the boys are in
condition they should put up a
tough battle.

The ski club has made a good
start in this season's activities.
Ample snowfall of the last two
weekends has stampeded over 50
members into the club rolls.

Novices to this lung-expanding
sport are encouraged to go along
with the other members when the
truck leaves Saturdays and Sun-
days at two o'clock. They will get
a good coaching in the fundamen-
tals of the game.

W.C.T.U. WILL MEET AT

HOME OF MISS L. STARR

The regular monthly meeting
of the W. C. T. U. will be held
at the home of Miss Leonora
Starr, 98 Prospect Ave., on Tues-
day, at 3 p.m.

Modern Persuaders
"Dear Madam," wrote the Heart-
throb columnist to an inquiring
girl. "You say you have been
trying to keep your daughter at
home by hiding her clothes. I am
afraid you have not been around
much. Try hiding her lipstick and
nail polish."

The Goodyears really have to
have something on the ball in-
stead of just entering a squad
and going through the motions
to title . . . It's about time the
other teams took a new lease on
life and put the pets of the
populace and the executive over
a barrel . . . More power to the
Portis and St. Kitts. . . . We
notice Australia is going to have
a hockey loop, just another field
for the rover boys of pucker
to romp in and amaze the down-
under crowds with their goal-
getting . . . Looks by the news
we will merely be exchanging
hockey players for fliers with
the Aussies. . . . So long.

BRAN PIE

By GOLDEN GLOW

Did you ever have a bran pie at
a Christmas party? They are
"Heaps of Joy," and create lots
of fun for people of all ages, for
if you examine your "dip" it
suits someone else better than you,
why then you can have a lot more
fun exchanging gifts. It may
make quite a litter, but then bran
is easily swept up and leaves no
trace. As the old lady said, "It's
clean dirt!" It makes you think of
the old nursery rhyme, "Little Jack
Horner sat in a corner, eating his
Christmas pie. He put in his
thumb and pulled out a plum,"
etc.

Well so is the bran pie, only
Jack Horner had a pretty good
idea that he would get a good fat
rain, while we are supposed to
take the first article our searching
fingers touch, and naturally, it is
something entirely unsuited to
our style of beauty, why all the
better. It creates more merriment,
and Christmas is the time to laugh
and be merry, and play games al-
together, young and old.

But when I started this story
and wrote "Bran Pie" for my sub-
ject, I was merely thinking of a
new heading apart from my usual
"Pot Pourri." I sat a week or
rather the week before Christmas
I called this column "Mince Meat,"
that being more appropriate to the
season; so I thought "Bran Pie"
would be suitable for this week-
ly. I am not writing about anything
in particular, so when you
"dip in," you will not have any
idea what you will find. First, I
want to say I hope everyone en-
joyed the festive season to the
full, and were not disappointed in
what Santa Claus left in their
stockings. The Christmas tree,
glowing every evening at dusk
with its gay colored lights, will
soon be dismantled, the Christmas
wreaths taken down, the glowing
ruby Christmas electric candles,
so much used this year, will be
disconnected, the evergreen
wreath carried out and, alas
that it has to be so, left for the
garbage man to take away. The
shop windows down town will lose
their Christmas allure. In fact,
everybody's pocket-book will be so
thin we can't indulge in very much
except necessities for some time
to come. More serious things will
soon have us in thrall, whether or
no, and we will be looking back
to these weeks with longing, no
doubt, and saying to ourselves,
"Well, we had a grand Christmas
anyway!"

What perfect weather we had all
through the Christmas season —
the folks that feared we would
have a green Christmas were
agreeably surprised when overnight
we got sleighing and zero weather,
and we did not lose it. Sleigh-bells
rang out merrily as our well-
known citizen, Mr. Fred Bowser,
made his rounds in his jolly little
red cutter with the merry sleigh-
bells. I cannot forget my delight
when last year, as I went down
town along Park Ave., Mr. Bowser
was driving west, along by the
post office, his sleigh-bells playing
a merry tune, Mr. Bowser with his
genial smile and the little black
pony stepping along so proudly,
pulling the cute little red cutter.
To my amazement, a tiny girl in
snow suit came flying towards me
with arms outstretched, eyes shin-
ing and her feet fairly twinkling
as she ran to reach me, and as she
threw her arms round my knees
and looking so earnestly into my
face, she was so excited she could
hardly speak, but she managed to
say, "Oh look, here comes Santa
Claus!" So we stood and watched
together, and when Mr. Bowser
smiled and waved his whip, she
was speechless with delight. Who
she was, I do not know, for a
wonder, because I know most of
the children round our district.
She turned shy then, and in a few
minutes went on her way, and I
went home, but the memory of
that little episode still remains
with me. She was so sweet and so
confiding! I did my part, you
may be sure, to keep up the illusion
for her, and Mr. Bowser's jolly
smile must have done the rest, for
she seemed quite satisfied that
she had for once caught Santa
Claus unawares. I said that Santa
was out gathering up his load of
toys so that he would be all ready
for his trip on Christmas eve.

It was so jolly to see folks had
remembered to tie a red bow on
the collars of their pet dogs. It
sure makes them feel quite "dog-
gy," too. I can believe they are
proud of their Christmas doggerly.
(Should I say togerly?)

And the birds, if I fed them once
I must have done so a half dozen
times—they came in flocks, and I
had a grand time watching them
enjoy the chopped suet and bread
crumbs I put out. We never miss
a slice of bread and it means so
very much for them. I heard over
the radio that the very bad storm
in England lately has played havoc
with the birds, killing many and
covering up their natural food as
well, so that they must depend on
human aid. And now the horrible
hunger in Turkey — not only
human beings but animal life and
bird life as well are suffering.

We regard the war in Finland
with horror, we can fully see the
Russians frozen stiff in the snow,
standing as if alive, holding their
tiffles in lifeless fingers; we think
we cannot bear any more news of
tragedy in the seven seas; then
comes this overwhelming disaster
of the earthquake in Turkey! Our
hearts cry, "How long, O
Lord, how long!" This morning's
news says the dead may be
109,000. In the face of such a
catastrophe what avail can be our
feeble efforts? Our Red Cross
will do all in their power, so spare
every cent you can towards that
end. As I sit writing this on Fri-
day, Dec. 29, I wonder what horror
may happen before any of you
read these words. If 1940 is to be
worse than 1939, how shall we ever
survive. But we must keep ever
bright, and know that light will
succeed in the end. So, happy new
year, everybody!

HOLT
MILTON GIBNEY IS
RE-ELECTED TRUSTEE

About 25 ratepayers attended
the annual school meeting held
last Wednesday evening. Milton
Gibney was again re-elected as
trustee.

Mrs. Angus Harrison is under
the doctor's care. A speedy re-
covery is hoped for.

Mr. M. J. Brubacher of Kit-
chener was calling on old
friends here on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Macdonnis
of Toronto spent the holidays
with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watts.
Mrs. F. Loft, Mr. Floyd Loft
and Miss Ruth Loft, of Hillsdale,
spent Wednesday with Mr. and
Mrs. Fred Coates.

Mr. Martin of Dunnville spent
Friday with his sister, Mrs. L.
Slingerland.

Rev. and Mrs. N. Hoover and
family of Mountain Grove spent
the holidays with Mr. and Mrs.
R. N. Hoover.

Visitors at the home of Rev.
and Mrs. L. Slingerland were
Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rose and
daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Henrick
and son, Mr. and Mrs. Canham
and sons of Toronto.

Mr. Harold Cunningham spent
the Christmas holidays at Hamil-
ton where he was attending
Older Boys' Parliament.

Rev. and Mrs. N. F. Perry and
Bertha are spending a few days
with their son, Clifford, at West-
port, Ont.

QUEENSVILLE

WRENCHES BACK IN
FALL WHILE SKIING

Now that Christmas and New
Year's are over for another year,
it is the wish of this correspond-
ent that 1940 will have in store
much happiness and prosperity
for everyone.

Skating and skiing are the
sports at Queensville just now.
The rink, under the management
of Harvey Glover, has good ice
and music and many jolly even-
ings are looked forward to this
winter.

The hills surrounding the vill-
age have a good coating of dry
snow, which is a welcome sight
to the skiers.

The second monthly euchre,
sponsored by the Queensville

branch of the Women's Institute,
in the schoolhouse, will be held
on Friday night, Jan. 5. Good
prizes will be given. The Insti-
tute euchre, this winter, will be
held on the first Friday of each
month.

Shoots Biggest Buck

Byron Aylward is the proud
owner of a new mackinaw coat.
This was the prize given by
Morrison's Men's Wear store, in
Newmarket, to the hunter shoot-
ing the biggest buck during the
hunting season. The prize deer
tipped the scales at 217 pounds.

Miss Pearl Gynne was fortun-
ate in winning a \$5 prize at a
district theatre recently.

Miss Mabelle Boag suffered a
severely wrenched back from a
fall while skiing on New Year's
day. All are pleased to know
she is getting along nicely.

Miss Edith Smith spent last
weekend visiting friends and
relatives.

Rex Smith is confined to his
bed with bronchitis, but is get-
ting along nicely.

The installation ceremony for
the new Y. P. U. officers will be
held at the morning church ser-
vice next Sunday.

Vivian

All are pleased with the beau-
tiful weather over the holiday,
with just enough snow to make
an ideal white Christmas.

There has been very little
sickness to report in comparison
with other years.

The children of Vivian public

school gave a very successful
entertainment. The school was
crowded and the children acted
their parts very nicely. The
Sunday-school concert was also a
success and Santa Claus very
impartially remembered every-
one in any way associated with
the work.

On the last Sunday of the year
the Sunday-school service, held
at 10 a.m., was well attended.
John Dennis of Toronto, who is
visiting here over the holiday,
played a solo on his violin, Miss
Gertrude Mitchell accompanying
him.

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MOUNT ALBERT CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE BIBLICAL INSTRUCTION

Miss Mina Oliver of Toronto spent a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver.

The annual school meeting held on Wednesday evening last in the continuation school was not very well attended. No one seemed to have any complaints and all reports were satisfactory.

Mrs. Jas. Slorach gave the report of the O. E. A. convention, held in Toronto, of which she was the delegate. Mrs. Stokes was appointed to attend next year. Geo. Harrison was re-appointed trustee. The raffle was voted to have Rev. R. V. Wilson give the children biblical instruction one half hour each week. Ed. Watts was chairman and S. Harper was secretary of the meeting.

Mrs. J. Moore has gone to Toronto to spend the winter.

Mrs. Henry Yewmanson accidentally sprained her ankle very badly last week and she will be laid up for some weeks.

The results of the election of the Young Men's Bible class of the United church are: president, Charlie Scott; 1st vice-president, Allen Dixon; 2nd vice-president, Jack Pearson; secretary, Leonard Brown; treasurer, Keith Stokes.

From now till the end of the month annual meetings of all the different societies will be held.

On Thursday, Jan. 18, the horticultural society will hold its annual banquet in the United church basement, when C. H. Hodge of the Ontario Farmer will be the guest speaker and also show slides. All members should endeavor to be present.

Mrs. Mather of Kapuskasing is down on a visit to her mother, Mrs. William Harrison, who does not seem to improve in health very quickly.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Wagg entertained a number of the teachers and officers of the United Sunday-school on Thursday evening of last week.

The business of the annual meeting was transacted and very few changes were made in the staff of the Sunday-school. Rev. R. V. Wilson was in charge and at the close Mrs. Wagg and Mrs. Stewart treated everyone to a delightful lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Longhurst and

Mrs. H. Rolling and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Rolling attended the wedding of Miss Bernice Boyd at Orillia on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Leadbetter, Joyce and Roy, spent New Year's with relatives at Markham.

Mr. Jas. Spiroff spent the holidays with relatives in Detroit.

Miss Marian Dike spent the weekend in Toronto.

The January meeting of the Women's Institute will be held on Thursday, Jan. 11, at the home of Mrs. Robt. Davis, at 2:30 o'clock. This will take the form of a health meeting.

There will be demonstrations in cake-making, current events and music. The roll-call will be "Who's who in the medical world."

Miss Marjorie Moore left on Sunday night to return to Winnipeg after spending the holidays with her mother and sister.

Miss Beatrice Appleberg, who has been such an efficient "hello girl" at the telephone office, has gone to Toronto, and Miss Mildred Graham is taking her place.

Miss Lavina Sawdon of the Mount Albert creamery office has resigned her position which is being taken by Allen Dixon.

Miss Daisy Watts has returned to Dunnville after spending her holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Watts.

The children and grown-ups too are enjoying the outdoor rink at the park, with Nick Simpson in charge.

Mrs. H. Ross spent a few days in Toronto last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Draper spent New Year's with Mrs. Draper's sister, Mrs. Baine, at Woodstock.

Mount Pleasant

Happy New Year to all! Again has come the time for new resolutions for 1940. The new year day was lovely, with snow falling lightly amid the sunshine.

Mr. and Mrs. Carman Main prize of Toronto spent the New Year's holidays visiting Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hamilton and other relatives.

Mr. Geo. Stiles' family spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Davidson.

Mr. Douglas Stiles of Toronto spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Stiles.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Cameron, Mr. Jack Davis and Miss Myrtle Stiles spent Saturday evening at

CONSIDER BUS SERVICE TO ATTEND N. H. S., ROSS FOLKEARD ELECTED TO SCHOOL BOARD

The annual meeting of the Roche's Point public school section, No. 6, North Gwillimbury, George Langridge and Duncan was held Wednesday, Dec. 27, Tillett as auditors. Discussion Councillor Harry T. Babb was to take place regarding transportation chairman. The occasion was the election of one trustee for the year 1940. The two candidates who qualified for election were Ross Folkeard, a new aspirant, and Joseph Sheppard, a former trustee for 20 years.

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Other business taken up at the meeting was the appointment of George Langridge and Duncan as auditors. Discussion Councillor Harry T. Babb was to take place regarding transportation chairman. The occasion was the election of one trustee for the year 1940. The two candidates who qualified for election were Ross Folkeard, a new aspirant, and Joseph Sheppard, a former trustee for 20 years.

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DISMISSAL OF

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man's living," said Mr. Landy. "The committee endorses the action taken," said Mr. Spillette. "The committee was going to dismiss this man three months ago," said Mr. Vale. "Mr. Andrews' work has not been satisfactory."

Councillors A. V. Higginson and Wm. Dixon came into the discussion to say that a foreman in a factory had power to dismiss. They suggested that "justice be tempered with mercy."

"If it was necessary to have a man with more knowledge of the theory of electricity, those men on the staff should have been given a chance to see if they could qualify," said Mr. Landy.

"Now you are saying something," said Mr. Evans.

"We gave this matter serious consideration," said Mr. Spillette. "We have nothing against Mr. Andrews except that his services were not satisfactory so far as the town was concerned. I like Mr. Andrews. We couldn't get co-operation. There was only one thing to do."

WORK COMPLETED

The 1939 town council completed its work by passing the following accounts on Tuesday evening: Fred S. Thompson, \$42.49; Newmarket Motor Sales, \$18.78; Express-Herald, \$14.62; W. H. Eves, \$20.27; Office Specialty Mfg. Co., \$15; J. E. Sloss, \$8.45; R. E. Manning, \$3.50; Hydro-Electric power commission of Ontario, \$3,326.04; Receiver-general of Canada, \$22.65; Victor shoe repair, \$1.25; R. E. Manning, \$4.40; Canadian National express, 40 cents; pay sheet No. 22, \$114.10; The Newmarket Era, \$13; County of York, \$60.62.

W. M. S. MEETING WILL BE HELD ON JAN. 9

The regular meeting of the Evangeline auxiliary of the W. M. S. of Trinity United church will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 8 p.m., in the Sunday-school room.

ELECTION RESULTS

Aurora
Reeve: Charles Malloy, 650; L. K. Farr, 348.

Deputy reeve: C. E. Sparks, 536; Howard Morton, 442.

School board, (three): Dr. C. J. Devlin, 602; Frank Underhill, 620; Fred Davis, 611; Hugh Bowman, 417.

Stouffville
Reeve: A. E. Weldon, 314; Walter Billinger, 118.

Council, (four): Ross Brown, 300; Ira Russell, 258; Delbert Holden, 234; J. H. Silverthorn, 222; Martin Tait, 178; W. E. Morden, 166; Hugh Boyd, 164; William Rennie, 130.

Georgina
Council, (four): John Laviolette, 383; Herbert Crossberry, 348; Ivan Tomlinson, 345; J. D. Sibbald, 306; W. M. Harvey, 257.

Richmond Hill
Reeve: T. H. Trench, 327; John A. Greene, 233.

Council, (four): Dr. J. P. Wilson, 479; William Neal, 368; Wesley Middleton, 354; R. D. Little, 253; James Butler, 229; Christopher Nelson, 185.

PATRONS

OUR MILL WILL SHUT DOWN DAILY BETWEEN 11.30 A.M. AND 12 NOON COMMENCING JAN. 2ND, DUE TO CONTRACT FOR OFF-PEAK POWER.

J. A. PERKS
SHUR-GAIN FEED SERVICE
PIONEER FEEDS

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Brown—My wife thinks of nothing but motoring and golf. I'm getting tired of it. Jones—Well, at least she's in the fashion.

Brown—Yes, but she's such a failure at it. In golf she hits nothing, and in motoring she hits everything.

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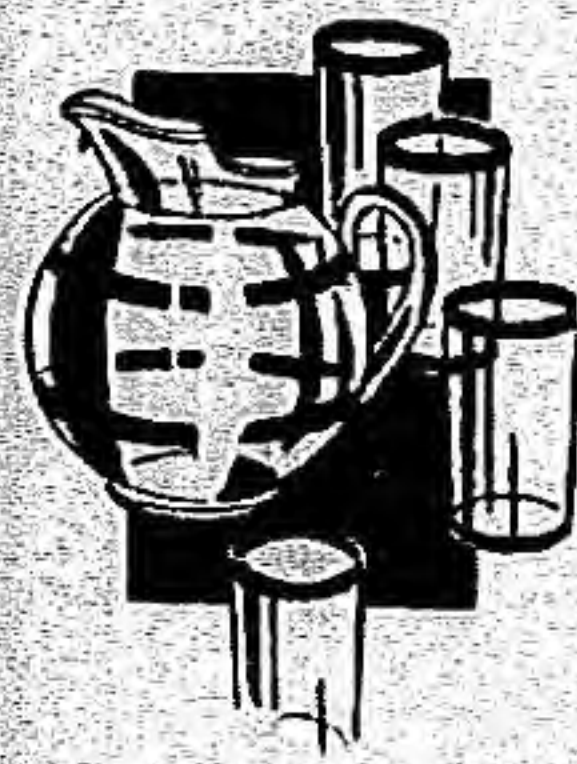
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